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BI-MONTHLY DIGEST No. 23.

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AUSTRALIAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.

The following officers of the Department of Home Affairs have joined the Australian Expeditionary Force :—

Aiken, E. L.	Fetherston, R. A.	McPhate, C.
Ainsworth, L.	Findley, H. W.	McKinlay, W.
Alexander, H. B.	Forbes, E. L.	Middlecoat, R. T.
Atkin, J.	Ford, E. M.	Mullett, L. H.
Ayrton, A. W.	Gibson, R. R.	Nicholson, R. P.
Barlow, E.	Gilchrist, D. L.	Page, H. H.
Bassett, W. E.	Gladman, F. B.	Pellew, L. J.
Bennett, P. H.	Gordon, S. L.	† Pennington, W. R.
Berry, R. M.	Grehan, C. F.	Philpot, J.
Best, J. F. C.	Hall, C. V.	Price, H. J.
Brack, J.	Harden, C. H.	Pritchard, W. H.
Brophy, J. H.	Harding, E.	Raine, A. C.
Buckman, N. K.	Harkness, R. E.	Reeves, G. T.
Cadden, H.	Harris, A. E.	Retchford, H. E.
Camm, H. E.	Hatfield, F. L.	Reynolds, N.
Cartwright, J. H.	Hays, F. R.	Robertson, A. S.
Chandler, H. H.	Hooper, G. P.	Ross, A. W.
Chenu, F. A.	Hopkins, A. K.	Rudolph, C. E.
*Cherry, R. St. J. B. G.	Hunt, T. M.	Russell, F. C.
Clayfield, E.	Hunter, A.	Rye, E.
Coffey, J. E.	Jones, E. R.	Sanderson, V. S. L.
Collins, N. T.	Kemmis, W. G. S.	Seddon, C.
Conway, C. M.	*Kither, G. F.	Skinner, W. L.
*Cook, G. S.	Lancashire, S. J.	Smith, A. B.
Cracknell, H. S.	Langevin, J.	Smythe, E. V.
Crawford, E.	Levick, N. M. S.	Stillman, W. C.
Cumberland, B.	Lindsay, D. R.	Thomas, H.
Dooley, R.	Littlejohn, R. W.	Timpson, R.
†Doveton, R. T. H.	Lloyd, T. B.	Tuck, R. G.
Dowe, W. H.	Lodge, E. R.	Turner, H. H.
Edwards, A. W.	Lord, C. H.	Wicks, C. W. B.
Eley, C. H.	Lumsden, A. H.	Willis, L.
Elliott, A. D.	McGrath, C.	Wilson, J. C.
Farrow, A.	McLachlan, S. C.	Young, C. T.

* Wounded.

† Killed in action.

‡ Died of wounds.

PATRIOTIC FUNDS.

The total amounts to date officially contributed (i.e., irrespective of contributions through private sources) by officers of the Department of Home Affairs are as follow :—

Central staff and officers located in Victoria	..	..	..	£1,703
Federal Territory	..	..	..	297
New South Wales	554
Queensland	140
South Australia	266
Western Australia	100
Tasmania	29
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				£3,089

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The Hon. KING O'MALLEY, M.P., was sworn in as Minister of State for Home Affairs on the 27th October, 1915.

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GROWTH OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HOME AFFAIRS.

Extract from Mr. Anderson's Report.

“ Your Department has steadily grown, and since, within the past few years, the system of construction has been changed from contract to day labour, its operations have greatly expanded, as the following items show :—

	Year 1910-11.	Year 1914-15.
(1) Lands acquired—claims	126	1,020
(2) Accounts dealt with	64,125	125,500
(3) Total expenditure	£732,700	£3,532,400 ”

FEDERAL TERRITORY.

The Minister has instructed that the contract entered into between Mr. W. B. Griffin, author of the first premiated design for the Federal Capital on the one hand, and the Prime Minister and the Minister for Home Affairs (Mr. Joseph Cook) on the other hand, on the behalf of the Commonwealth shall be given full effect to.

Under that contract Mr. Griffin was constituted Federal Capital Director of Design and Construction, and no operations or matters in connexion with that city can be initiated without his advice having been obtained thereon.

THE COMMONWEALTH AGRICULTURAL, HORTICULTURAL, PASTORAL, AND INDUSTRIAL ASSOCIATION.

Two meetings of the Association have been held, but owing chiefly to shearing operations, it has not been possible to secure the attendance of more than one of the unofficial members at one of these meetings.

The draft constitution and rules have been revised and are ready for presentation as soon as shearing and harvesting have reached a more convenient stage for a meeting of the unofficial members.

THE FEDERAL TERRITORY BUSH FIRE ASSOCIATION.

With the object of securing the organized assistance of all concerned, and the co-ordination of effort in—

- (a) the prevention of bush or grass fires in the Territory and the adjoining country ;
- (b) the adoption of necessary measures for combating any outbreak of bush or grass fire in the Territory and the adjoining country ;

a meeting of landholders and others was held on the 14th October, 1915. Colonel David Miller, Administrator of the Federal Territory, who occupied the Chair, explained the objects of the meeting and pointed out the advantage of being fully organized to combat with the grass fires which, in view of the unusual growth of grass and herbage, would most likely be very prevalent during the approaching hot weather. After a general discussion, Mr. District Surveyor Sheaffe moved, and Mr. James Cunningham seconded :—

“That an Association be formed to be called the ‘Federal Bush Fires Association’ to prevent and combat bush or grass fires in the Federal Territory and the adjoining country.”

The Administrator, Colonel Miller, was then appointed President.

At a very largely attended public meeting held on the 28th October, 1915, the decision of the previous meeting was confirmed ; schemes of organization, and for the division of the Territory into districts, were adopted, and the names of certain residents were suggested for the positions of District Executive Officers.

The first meeting of the District Executive Officers will be held on the 13th November, 1915, when the scheme of organization will be set in motion.

GROSS REVENUE DERIVED FROM LANDS.

	£	s.	d.
Lands in process of alienation	963	3	0
Crown lands held under State laws (leases) ..	403	10	9
Revenue derived from leases of acquired lands ..	8,599	18	10
Revenue derived from agistment, 1st September to 31st October, 1915.. .. .	507	10	0
Revenue derived from rates	1,056	15	4
Leases of acquired lands north of the Molonglo ..	5,025	0	0
	£16,555	17	11

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF LANDS IN THE FEDERAL TERRITORY.

	Acres.
Lands compulsory acquired by the Commonwealth ..	172,150
Freehold	55,378
Conditional purchases.. .. .	50,784
Conditional leases	40,494
Homestead selections	63
Annual leases	21,667
Improvement leases	39,859
Occupation licences	68,992
Scrub leases	17,252
Special leases	180
Permissive occupancies	18,108
Enclosed roads	549
Unoccupied Crown lands, including roads (approximate) ..	98,139
	583,660

RATES.

Under Section (2) of the Rate Ordinance No. 2 of 1911, the Minister has made the 1915–1916 assessment the new assessment for the year 1916. It is proposed to issue the Notices of Demand for 1916 rates early in the coming year, and arrangements are accordingly now being made.

LEASES OF ACQUIRED LANDS.

The acquired lands have been disposed of as under:—

Term.							Area.	Revenue.		
							Acres.	£	s.	d.
10 Years .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	18,001	715	6	0
5 „ .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	34,891	4,561	0	0
2 „ .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	4,670	865	13	9
1 Year .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	16,186	1,779	6	7
Monthly .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	11,624	678	12	6
Twelve month's leases to the 71 previous owners of tenants at rental based on 3 per cent. on amount of compensation to be determined							48,000	5,025	0	0
							133,372	13,624	18	10

AGISTMENT.

Five thousand seven hundred and fifty-seven head of sheep and 201 head of large stock are on agistment on land that for various reasons cannot at present be leased, *e.g.*, carrying out of works, areas for departmental use, areas about to be set apart for specific purposes.

LANDS ACQUIRED.

The following areas have been compulsorily acquired :—

Area	Former Owner.	Date of Acquisition.
acres.		
1,780 $\frac{1}{2}$	J. Jeffreys	25th February, 1911
237 $\frac{1}{2}$	J. Jeffreys	24th June, 1911
40	Curator of Intestate Estates, Sydney (Bradbury's Estate)	8th July, 1912
83,146	Various owners (areas embracing "Yarrolumla" and "Duntroon")	27th July, 1912
2,481	P. Sheedy, executors estate of L. Tiernan, William Ryan, and trustees of Palmer Estate	17th August, 1912
80	John Morrison	21st December, 1912
97	W. E. Oldfield and D. and G. Morton	1st February, 1913
687	Mrs. M. S. Harcourt	5th April, 1913
1,280	Jeremiah Keefe	24th May, 1913
4,146	J. Blundell (sen.), H. C. A. Reid, J. Blundell (jun.), D. Perrott, S. Shannon, executors P. Hardy's Estate, W. C. McDonald	14th June, 1913
410	Angus Cameron	12th July, 1913
15	F. Campbell	19th July, 1913
28	J. E. R. Campbell	" " "
2,880	P. Hardy (jun.)	16th August, 1913
152	J. Ryan	11th October, 1913
2,252a. 3r. 22p.	William Darmody (sen.)	22nd November, 1913
417 $\frac{1}{4}$	John Shumack	6th December, 1913
63 $\frac{1}{4}$	J. E. Monk	" " "
509 $\frac{1}{4}$	Mrs. M. S. Harcourt	21st February, 1914
3,734	Woods Bros.	9th April, 1914
201	W. Webber	" "
1	W. H. Jones	" "
167	Estate of J. Southwell	" " "
79	J. Williams	16th May, 1914
2,162 $\frac{3}{4}$	P. Sheedy	" "
1,280	P. Sheedy	" "
50	W. C. Green	" "
160	W. C. Green	" "
1,763 $\frac{1}{4}$	J. M. McIntosh	23rd May, 1914
3 $\frac{3}{4}$	A. H. Nevill	30th May, 1914
263	Estate of Ed. Woods	4th July, 1914
253a. 1r. 12p.	J. E. Fitzgerald	" "
1,362a. 3r. 24p.	J. E. Fitzgerald	" " "
704a. 0r. 20p.	Wm. Hardy	8th August, 1914
1,100a. 2r. 31p.	Estate of G. E. Southwell	3rd October, 1914
600	Wm. Maloney	28th November, 1914
126	A. and C. D. McInnes	18th March, 1915
518a. 1r. 25p.	Mrs. Harman	" "
1,162a. 3r. 0p.	Wm. Ryan	" "
104	A. and C. D. McInnes	" "
80	John Flint	" "
317a. 3r. 8p.	R. Shumack	" "
330	R. and R. Maloney	" "
38a. 2r 26p	Mrs. F. Whitehead	" "

Lands Acquired—continued.

Area.	Former Owner.	Date of Acquisition.
acres.		
942	Miss I. Cameron	18th March, 1915
40	J. Cooper ..	" "
86	Jas. Darmody	" "
240	J. J. Darmody	" "
40	J. Cooper ..	" "
140	E. P. O'Rourke	" "
29a. 2r. 0p.	Jas. Darmody	" "
40	Jas. Darmody	" "
39a. 3r. 0p.	W. Darmody (sen.)	" "
109a. 3r. 0p.	W. Harman ..	" "
346	H. Siggs ..	" "
2,012a. 0r. 2p.	J. J. Edwards	" "
40	P. Gleeson ..	" "
40	C. J. O'Rourke	" "
40a. 2r. 0p.	Mrs. E. Gifford	" "
50	Geo. Roffe ..	" "
395a. 1r. 0p.	Ed. Ryan, executors of	" "
100	Mrs. M. McDonald	" "
20,092	E. K. Crace, executors of	" "
170a. 1r. 9p.	J. Rolfe ..	" "
251a. 2r. 0p.	R. and R. Maloney	" "
202	John Read ..	" "
200	Church of England	" "
345a. 1r. 5p.	R. McDonald	" "
868a. 1r. 8p.	S. Shumack ..	" "
260a. 2r. 25p.	G. E. Shumack	" "
320	S. Shumack ..	" "
752a. 1r. 0p.	Mrs. A. Cameron	" "
1,366a. 2r. 0p.	Mrs. E. A. Cox	" "
1,046a. 2r. 0p.	Mrs. E. Armstrong	" "
282	J. Bolton ..	" "
348a. 2r. 12p.	W. Hatch ..	" "
130	Wm. Ryan ..	" "
81	J. K. Kilby ..	" "
4a. 2r. 30p.	J. K. Kilby ..	" "
160	R. Kilby ..	" "
160	F. Munday ..	" "
40	W. Gribble ..	" "
451a. 3r. 0p.	T. Gribble ..	" "
220	G. E. Shumack	" "
573a. 1r. 20p.	G. E. Shumack	" "
240	R. McDonald	" "
280	R. McDonald	" "
200	A. Cameron ..	" "
450	M. S. Colverwell	" "
52	E. W. Cavanagh	" "
91	Mary Cavanagh	" "
46a. 2r. 23p.	C. Masters (sen.)	" "
309a. 2r. 0p.	J. C. Gallagher	" "
2,527a. 3r. 11p.	J. Gallagher (sen.)	" "
386a. 3r. 37p.	S. E. Gallagher	" "
80	S. F. Gallagher	" "
239a. 2r. 34p.	Wm. Gallagher	" "
306	Miss Gertrude Ginn	" "
401	H. T. Ginn ..	" "
138	E. M. Gozzard	" "
79a. 3r. 0p.	E. K. Crace, executors of	" "
80	T. S. Hyles ..	" "
531a. 3r. 27p.	Joseph Keefe ..	" "

Lands Acquired—*continued.*

Area.	Former Owner.	Date of Acquisition.
acres.		
360	H. M. Murphy	18th March, 1915
414a. 2r. 0p.	R. A. S. McInnes	" "
524a. 1r. 39p.	A. and C. D. McInnes	" "
2,723a. 1r. 0p.	A. McKeahnie	" "
1,017a. 2r. 11p.	John Ryan	" "
330a. 1r. 0p.	R. Vest	" "
87a. 2r. 0p.	Elizabeth Winter, executors of	" "
894a. 2r. 0p.	John Winter	" "
130	Joseph Winter	" "
150	T. Gallagher	" "
292a. 3r. 35p.	M. S. Colverwell	" "
40	Joseph Keefe	" "
58	S. F. Gallagher	" "
142a. 2r. 0p.	C. Cavanagh	" "
80	Edward Woods (jun.)	15th May, 1915
1,260	William Flint	10th July, 1915
31p.	W. Darmody (jun.)	14th August, 1915
1r. 0p.	Jos. Cooper, executors of	" "
40	T. Gallagher	" "
1,182	W. C. McDonald	31st July, 1915
3,230a. 2r. 16p.	Edmund Rolfe	11th September, 1915
1,772a. 2r. 20p.	W. Ryan	" "
7a. 0r. 33p.	T. S. Hyles	18th September, 1915
363a. 0r. 16p.	Jas. Darmody	" "
383a. 2r. 0p.	W. Rule	14th October, 1915
1,366a. 3r. 20p.	J. Gallagher (jun.)	" "
23a. 3r. 0p.	W. A. Cartwright	21st October, 1915
17a. 3r. 18p.	A. Masters	28th October, 1915

ACQUISITION OF LANDS NORTH OF MOLONGLO RIVER.

Some 50,000 acres of the abovementioned lands have been inspected and proposals as to re-designing of boundaries to form more suitable blocks, for future occupation, are now under consideration.

Steps are taken to dispose of these lands as soon as they are vacated.

The acquisition of 29 holdings, north of the Molonglo, which are severed by the Territorial boundary, is practically complete; in some instances it has been found necessary to also acquire the balance of area of these holdings situated within the State of New South Wales.

VALUATIONS.

The valuation of lands within the Territory is being steadily proceeded with.

All areas valued are classified into three classes of agricultural and three classes of grazing land, and all improvements are located.

Area covered by classification and valuation is 229,207 acres.

SURVEYS.

Territorial Boundary.—The survey of the Territorial boundary has been completed, and plans are in course of preparation.

Trigonometrical.—No further work under the above heading has been carried out since last report owing to demands on surveyors in other directions.

Topographical.—Topographical survey of about 25,000 acres has been effected since last report.

RABBIT DESTRUCTION.

Since last report, the Canberra Rifle Range Area and "Mount Stromlo Afforestation Area No. 2" have been thoroughly freed from rabbits, rabbit-burrows and harbor, and boundaries of each area substantially fenced and made rabbit proof.

Satisfactory progress is being made with works of the same nature, now in hand on "Black Mountain" and "Mount Stromlo No. 3" afforestation areas, and "Springbank" Holding.

The work being carried out by the lessees on some 53,000 acres of Commonwealth acquired lands is proceeding, and a large proportion of this area has been treated.

HARVEST.

The anticipation of a favorable Spring has been realized, the whole countryside being covered with a record crop of grass and herbage; while the prospects of the grain and hay harvest point to the heaviest yield for many years past.

**OFFICERS ENGAGED IN LAND AND SURVEYS BRANCH AS AT
31st OCTOBER, 1915.**

Surveyors	3
Inspectors	2
Field Assistants	3
Draughtsmen	3
Clerks	4
Labourers (Surveyors' Staffs)	8
Labourers (Inspectors' Staffs)	53

HEALTH SECTION.

This branch continues its activities in much the same way as heretofore.

The various workmen's camps are kept in order, and such developments and improvements as are necessary are noted and brought into effect.

The Canberra Hospital has been made much use of during the last few months, though there has not been a general outbreak of sickness, a few special cases have demanded much attention.

The isolation block has been in use owing to the occurrence of some cases of scarlet fever.

Ambulance classes have now been held in most of the main camps. The interest shown in them by a large percentage of those who attended has resulted in a gratifying condition of efficiency.

AFFORESTATION.

Weather.—The weather conditions during the last three months have been most seasonable.

Rainfall.—The rainfall for the period totalled 822 points—July, 113 points; August, 183 points; September, 526 points.

Plantations.—Satisfactory progress is being made with the re-afforestation work at Mount Stromlo. Up to the 31st October, 1915, 218,774 positions have been prepared in readiness to receive young trees, and 60,073 trees (mainly Pines, Cedars, and Wattles) of the following varieties have been planted:—

<i>Acacia Baileyana</i>	<i>Cryptomeria japonica</i>	<i>Pinus pinea</i>
„ <i>decurrans</i>	<i>Eucalyptus</i> in var.	<i>Populus</i>
<i>Callatris calcarata</i>	<i>Grevillea robusta</i>	<i>Salix Babylonica</i>
„ <i>rhomboidia</i>	<i>Pinus Canariensis</i>	<i>Sequoia sempervirens</i>
<i>Cedrus Deodar</i>	„ <i>halepensis</i>	<i>Sterculia diversifolia</i>
<i>Cryptomeria elegans</i>	„ <i>insignis</i>	= 60,073

Concerning the distribution of plants and trees from the Federal Nursery during the planting season of 1915, it is much to be regretted that the offer of trees, &c., has not been availed of to a much greater extent by the general landholder and lessee; especially is this so in reference to the planting of trees of fodder value, such as the Currajong (*Sterculia diversifolia*), the Mountain Oak (*Casuarina stricta*), Willow (*Salix Babylonica*), &c., as it is very evident that during seasons of prolonged drought—lacking stocks of ensilage, hay, &c.—these constitute the only means whereby food can be obtained for stock.

It is hoped that a greater response to the invitation to plant all classes of trees will be shown during the next planting season.

3,640 trees, &c., of the following varieties have been distributed:—

<i>Acacia aneura</i> ..	2	<i>Fabiana</i> ..	1
„ <i>Baileyana</i> ..	347	<i>Grevillea robusta</i> ..	1
„ <i>cyanophylla</i> ..	3	<i>Hedera-helix</i> ..	9
„ <i>decurrens</i> ..	45	<i>Helianthus</i> ..	1
„ <i>melanoxydon</i> ..	10	<i>Laurestinus</i> ..	6
„ <i>prominens</i> ..	12	<i>Lavendula spicata</i> ..	2
„ <i>subcoerulea</i> ..	5	<i>Ligustrum</i> ..	339
<i>Amygdalis Persica</i> ..	1	<i>Pampas grass (aurea)</i> ..	1
<i>Buddleia Veitchiana</i> ..	149	<i>Photinia serrulata</i> ..	84
<i>Callatris calcarata</i> ..	18	<i>Pinus Canariensis</i> ..	3
„ <i>rhomboidia</i> ..	4	„ <i>cryptomeria</i> ..	2
<i>Camphora officinalis</i> ..	9	„ <i>halepensis</i> ..	2
<i>Cedrus Deodar</i> ..	14	„ <i>insignis</i> ..	290
<i>Cerasus lauro-cerasus</i> ..	23	<i>Pittosporum eugeniioides</i> ..	7
<i>Choisya tornata</i> ..	3	<i>Platanus orientalis</i> ..	8
<i>Coprosma Baueriana</i> ..	2	<i>Polyanthus</i> ..	18
<i>Cotoneaster Simonsi</i> ..	12	<i>Populus</i> ..	12
<i>Crataegus crenulata</i> ..	86	<i>Quercus palustris</i> ..	107
„ <i>pyracantha</i> ..	23	<i>Quercus robur</i> ..	31
<i>Cryptomeria elegans</i> ..	12	<i>Ribes sanguinea</i> ..	20
„ <i>japonica</i> ..	8	<i>Roses</i> ..	97
<i>Cupressus Goveniana</i> ..	23	<i>Schinus Molle</i> ..	201
„ <i>Knightiana</i> ..	7	<i>Spartium junceum</i> ..	7
„ <i>Lawsoniana</i> ..	5	<i>Spirea</i> ..	1
„ <i>macrocarpa</i> ..	1,081	<i>Sterculia diversifolia</i> ..	122
„ <i>majestica</i> ..	8	<i>Tamarisk japonica</i> ..	99
„ <i>torulosa</i> ..	5	<i>Thuya orientalis</i> ..	8
„ <i>spcs.</i> ..	11	<i>Ulmus purpurea</i> ..	6
<i>Dianthus barbatus</i> ..	18	„ <i>umbraculifera</i> ..	3
<i>Eleagnus Augustifolia</i> ..	2	<i>Verbena</i> ..	12
„ <i>aurea</i> ..	6	<i>Vitis Viniferi</i> ..	18
<i>Eucalyptus in var.</i> ..	70	<i>Wistaria</i> ..	18
<i>Euonymus aurea</i> ..	15		
„ <i>japonica</i> ..	17		3,640
<i>Exochorda grandiflora</i> ..	3		

Crops.—All crops have made excellent progress, the hay crops—Algerian oats and Federation wheat—especially giving promise to a good yield.

The experimental crops have given very good results, but as the season has been altogether favourable for excellent returns, these results can hardly be taken as final. It would have been more satisfactory had the season been less favorable or of a more average type. Conclusive experimental results for the district can only

be reached during seasons when the climatic conditions are normal. One interesting and outstanding result is a sowing of Algerian oats made in the orchard block. This area was sub-soiled and treated to a cross-drilling of blood and bone at the rate of 70 lbs. to the acre, equalling 140 lbs. in all.

The oats were sown ten days later than others of the same kind in land ploughed to a depth of 6 inches, and treated with 50 lbs. of superphosphate to the acre.

They are now at least fourteen days earlier than the early sown crop, and finishing most satisfactorily.

This sowing was quite a chance one, and made with a view to affording protection to the young fruit trees from strong gales. The results, however, have been so marked, that the experiment will be repeated next season in ordinary treated land to ascertain the exact difference of result, with the various manures and fertilizers used.

Orchard.—The orchard planting has been very satisfactory, not more than one per cent. of failures so far being recorded. There is no doubt that the provision of shelter lines between the rows afford great assistance during the time the young trees are becoming established.

Number of men employed :—

Mount Stromlo—1 ganger, 11 labourers.

Nurseries, &c.—1 foreman, 1 leading labourer, 1 carter, 5 labourers, 1 clerk.

Yarrolumla.—1 labourer.

POPULATION.

Date of Enumeration.	Total Enumerated.	Estimated Number of Absentees.
31st December, 1912 ..	1988	300
31st December, 1913 ..	1952	850
31st December, 1914 ..	1959	760

LIVE STOCK.

The live stock in the Territory, according to the latest returns, comprises—

Horses	..	..	..	..	1,146
Cattle	..	..	..	..	4,931
Sheep	..	..	..	..	161,234
Pigs	..	..	..	..	393

EXPENDITURE.

EXPENDITURE IN THE FEDERAL TERRITORY SUBSEQUENT TO THE PASSING OF THE
Seat of Government Acceptance Act 1909, AND UP TO THE 30TH JUNE, 1915.

	Financial Year 1910-1911 to 1912-1913.	Financial Year 1913-1914.	Financial Year 1914-1915.	Totals.
	£	£	£	£
Buildings	35,310	30,610	7,637	73,557
Power plant and power house	11,956	22,550	31,530	66,036
Electric supply—mains, &c.	1,812	8,991	11,357	22,160
Roads, bridges, transport, &c.	61,999	19,792	12,839	94,630
Water supply	32,368	86,234	78,012	196,614
Sewerage	1,733	359	11,646	13,738
Material and stores	17,371	18,377	6,156	41,904
Valuations, fire services, conveyances, run- ning expenses, and miscellaneous	9,908	3,885	6,444	20,237
Health, administration, education, engineers, draughtsmen, clerks, &c.	32,601	27,478	18,061	78,140
Afforestation	2,555	1,400	5,941	9,896
Surveys, fencing, and rabbit destruction	18,126	1,923	9,453	29,502
Railway—Queanbeyan to Canberra .. .. .	..	30,605	4,465	35,070
Brickworks .. .. .	..	..	9,717	9,717
	225,739	252,204	213,258	691,201

Expenditure, 1915-16 (to date), £70,059 9s.

INITIAL ENGINEERING WORKS.

Water Supply.—The erection of the dam at the Cotter River was delayed owing to the floods in September. All repairs have now been executed, and the work is in full swing again. The concrete has been carried up 40 feet above the bed of the stream. The concrete lining of the tunnel has been completed and the pipes laid in position ready for jointing. The construction of the Pipehead Reservoir at Mount Stromlo is complete and fence is now being erected around same. The Service Reservoir at Red Hill is being trimmed up preparatory to concrete construction. Scour pipes have been laid and the trenches and tunnel for the inlet and outlet pipes have been completed. The crushing and mixing machinery is being placed in position.

Power Plant.—The testing of the Power Plant has now been successfully completed, and this plant is now running continuously and is supplying current to the following points:—

Royal Military College, Duntroon;
Administrative Offices and dwellings, Canberra;
Sewerage Works (Pumping, hoisting and air compressor);
Engineers' and Carpenters' Workshops;
Gravel Pits;
Sawmill;
Yarralumla House;

and preparations are being made for coupling on to the brickworks and Service Reservoir at Red Hill. The working plant now consists of:—

- 4 two-drum Babcock and Wilcox boilers, each of 2,437 square feet heating surface, fitted with superheater and mechanical stokers.
- 1 Green's Economiser of 400 tubes, to which is attached a preheater of exhaust steam type.
- 2 four-feet induced-draught fans.
- 2 "Nicholson's" high duty feed-pumps with automatic control.
- 1 coal crushing, filling, elevating and weighing plant complete, having a capacity of 40 tons per hour.
- 1 150-kilowatt "Robey-Hall" set, and
- 2 600-kilowatt "Belliss and Morcom" brush sets, all with engines of the enclosed forced lubrication type coupled to generators direct, and giving 5,500 volts at terminals.
- 2 complete condensing plants, each having separate circulation pumps and Kinetic air pumps arranged to be completely interchangeable.
- 1 Pattison water softening and oil eliminating plant provided on feed water service with feed measuring and recording device.

Roads.—The construction of the new roads to the Groundsmen's Cottages at Duntroon is nearly finished, and tar-paving at the College is practically completed. Steady progress is being made with the fencing on the Cotter-road. The following figures show the actual development in road work in the Territory since the roads were taken over:—

Forming and finishing	..	..	..	89½ miles
Gravelling and metalling	..	..	..	85¼ "
Maintenance, gravel and metal	..	..	..	85,536 cub. yds.
Cleaning and repairing culverts	..	..	..	161 miles
General road repairs	..	..	..	154 "
Water tables, drains, &c.	..	..	..	120 "

Sewerage.—Twenty-five shafts have been sunk along the main line of the sewer tunnel, and a total length of 3,400 feet of tunnel has been driven. The crushing plant has been erected, centreing has been made and 1,500 feet of tunnel has been trimmed up ready for concrete lining.

Transmission Lines.—The extensions of branch lines and the work of undergrounding cables at Duntroon is in progress. Covering slabs for conduit pits in connexion with the telephone system are now all in position.

General.—The prospecting shaft at Mount Fairy has been sunk to a depth of 32 feet in limestone. The construction of rifle pits for battle firing at the Royal Military College, Duntroon, is nearly complete. The concrete fencing posts covering slabs and pitchers are being constructed for works in hand.

INITIAL ARCHITECTURAL WORKS.

Wardsman's Quarters, Hospital.—The whole of the building has been completed with the exception of internal shelving and fittings.

Mortuary, Hospital.—The building has been completed. *Post mortem* table under order.

Pumping Station, Cotter River.—The whole of the building has been completed, except for concrete floor where the pumps are situated.

Sub-station, Cotter River.—The whole of the building is completed, ready for installation of transformers, &c.

Engineering Workshop, Power House.—The concrete walls have been carried up to the heads of the windows. Overhead travelling crane and steel trusses of roof delivered on site.

Canberra Fire Station.—The whole of the building has been completed and internal fire appliance fittings are being installed. Street alarms being connected to Station.

Staffordshire Kiln, Canberra.—The whole of the brickwork of kiln has been completed and end gable is in position, and two steel roof trusses erected. Fan-house completed and fans and motors installed.

Machine House.—Walls erected and covered in. Quarter of the roof fixed in position. Concrete pits for machinery completed. The whole of the machinery is to hand, except brick machines, which are expected shortly.

Brickworks, Sub-station.—The whole of the building completed and underground main being run to Fan-house and Machine-house.

Gungahleen School.—The building has been completed and handed over for occupation.

Gibraltar School.—The building previously used at Canberra has been removed to the site at Gibraltar, and is now being erected.

Yarralumla Homestead.—The old kitchen building has been removed, and a new building is under construction. Brick walls have been carried up to the height of the window heads. Box window and door frames are built in position. The floor bearers and joints are being put in position and roof timbers are being prepared.

REPORT ON PROGRESS OF WORKS AT ROYAL MILITARY COLLEGE (DUNTROON).

Main Stables.—The building has now been completed and handed over for occupation.

Grooms' Barracks.—The whole of the building has been completed and occupied.

Groundsmen's Cottages.—The eight quarters have been completed and occupied.

Infirmiry Stables.—The building has been completed with the exception of shelving and bench.

N.C.O.'s Quarters.—The four quarters completed and occupied.

Additions to Refrigerating Plant.—The materials are to hand and are being installed.

Heating Installation, Battalion Offices.—The work is practically completed.

NUMBER OF MEN EMPLOYED.

Architectural section—						73
Canberra ..	..	..	..	..	..	10
Duntroon ..	..	..	..	..	..	308
Engineering section	..	..	..	..	..	—
						391
						—

ROYAL NAVAL COLLEGE (JERVIS BAY).

The College has been handed over to the Department of Defence (Naval), but the following works are being proceeded with :—

Breakwater.—321 feet completed.

Roads.—Main Nowra-road, one man employed on maintenance. College-roads, two men employed on maintenance.

Electric Light (Internal).—Completed.

Sewering.—Warrant Officers' houses and Petty Officers' cottages completed.

New Tram Line to Quarry.—Work completed.

Chief Petty Officers' Houses.—E, F, G, and H completed, and handed over for occupation.

Petty Officers' Houses.—Completed.

Warrant Officers' Houses.—Completed, and in occupation.

Number of Employees, 85.

COMMONWEALTH RAILWAYS.

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KALGOORLIE TO PORT AUGUSTA RAILWAY.

N. G. BELL, ENGINEER-IN-CHIEF.

WESTERN AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Survey.—The survey is complete and the route has been permanently located to 400 miles. A preliminary inspection has also been made between that point and the South Australian border. The permanent survey is proceeding in advance of the platelaying, and will be continued through to Ooldea, to which point the survey is completed from Port Augusta.

Earthworks are ready for platelaying from 1 mile 7 chains to 389 miles.

Platelaying.—The railhead is at 383 miles 27 chains.

Sidings and Crossing Loops.—The following sidings and crossing loops have been constructed to assist in working forward the traffic for building the line :—

Miles. Chains.

15	3	..	Golden Ridge
29	76	..	Siding
38	16	..	Siding
50	73	..	Randall's
69	09	..	Karonie
75	45	..	Boorganna
98	27	..	Coonana
116	27	..	Siding
125	40	..	Zanthus
127	56	..	Siding (Ballast Pit)
145	12	..	Siding
155	37	..	Siding
167	16	..	Siding
177	00	..	Siding
188	00	..	Siding

Miles. Chains.

205	00	..	Naretha (Ballast Pit)
208	31	..	Siding
221	24	..	Siding
235	00	..	Rawlinna
245	40	..	Siding
256	25	..	Siding
280	20	..	Siding
286	00	..	Siding (Firewood)
292	10	..	Siding
302	00	..	Siding
325	00	..	Siding
336	51	..	Loongana
347	00	..	Siding
359	00	..	Siding

Ballasting.—A considerable quantity of ballasting has been done. A rock-crushing plant is being erected in the vicinity of 205 miles from Kalgoorlie. The plant will consist of two separate units, so that in case of breakdown half the output may be maintained.

The machinery and equipment for each unit will be—

First Quarry, Western Division (205 Mile)—

Machinery for No. 1 Unit—

- 1 No. 6 Jaques gyratory crusher.
- 1 No. 4 Jaques gyratory crusher for reject crushing.
- 1 130 B.H.P. Ruston Proctor gas engine and suction gas plant, with producer arranged to burn wood fuel, and Little's patent water cooler for main drive.
- 1 65 B.H.P. Crossley suction gas engine and plant, with "Akroyd" wood fuel producer, and Little's patent water cooler for compressor drive.
- 1 air compressor and receiver.
- 1 oil-driven winch.
- Elevator, screens, side tip trucks, gearing, rock drills, &c.

Crushers delivered.

Suction gas plant for main drive delivered.

Suction Gas Plant for Compressor Drive—

Producer and cooler delivered. Engines shipped, and delivery expected shortly.

Air compressor and receiver shipped, and delivery expected almost immediately.

Oil-driven winch due for delivery early in December, 1915.

Elevator and screens delivered.

Rock drills and accessories on order.

Drawings of layout of plant, buildings, and foundations for engines, &c., have been completed and forwarded to Kalgoorlie.

A good deal of ironwork for this unit has been completed.

Erection of crushing plant in hand.

Machinery for No. 2 Unit—

- 1 No. 6 Jaques gyratory crusher.
- 1 No. 4 Jaques gyratory crusher for reject crushing.
- 1 130 B.H.P. Ruston Proctor gas engine and suction gas plant, with producer arranged to burn wood fuel, and Singleton cooler, for main drive.
- 1 65 B.H.P. Crossley gas engine and Akroyd wood fuel producer, with Little's patent cooler for compressor drive.
- 1 air compressor and receiver.
- 1 oil-driven winch

Elevators, screens, side tip trucks, gearing, rock drills, &c.

Crushers delivered.

Producers and coolers delivered.

Suction Gas Plant for Main and Compressor Drives—

Air compressor and receiver shipped, and delivery expected shortly.

Oil-driven winch ordered; delivery due 7th December, 1915.

Elevator and screens delivered.

Specifications for rock drills and accessories in hand.

Drawings of layout of plant, buildings, and foundations of engines, &c., completed and forwarded to Kalgoorlie.

36 sets of ironwork for side tip trucks for this quarry delivered, and wood-work is well in hand.

The output of quarry is 750 tons per day.

RAILWAY—*continued*.**Second Quarry, Western Division—**

The plant for this quarry will be practically identical with that at the 205-mile quarry. The site has not yet been determined.

Machinery for No. 1 Unit—

1 No. 6 Jaques gyratory crusher.

1 No. 4 Jaques gyratory crusher for reject crushing.

1 130 B.H.P. Ruston Proctor gas engine and suction gas plant, with producer, arranged to burn wood fuel, with Singleton cooler, for main drive.

1 65 B.H.P. Crossley suction gas engine and plant, Akroyd wood fuel producer, and Singleton cooler, for compressor drive.

1 air compressor and receiver.

1 oil-driven winch.

Elevator, screens, side tip trucks, gearing, rock drills, &c.

Specifications for crushers prepared. Crushers not yet ordered.

Suction Gas Plant for Main Drive—

Cooler and producer delivered. No advice yet as to date of shipment of engines from Great Britain.

Suction Gas Plant for Compressor Drive—

Cooler and producer delivered. Engines due for delivery 19th January, 1916.

Contract let for air compressor and receiver. Due for delivery 22nd January, 1916.

Specifications not yet prepared for elevator, screens, oil-driven winch, rock drills, and accessories.

Machinery for No. 2 Unit—

1 No. 6 Jaques gyratory crusher.

1 No. 4 Jaques gyratory crusher for reject crushing.

1 130 B.H.P. Ruston Proctor suction gas engine with wood fuel producer and Singleton cooler; for main drive.

1 65 B.H.P. Crossley suction gas engine, Akroyd wood fuel producer, and Singleton cooler, for compressor drive.

1 air compressor and receiver.

1 oil-driven winch.

Elevator, screens, side-tip trucks, gearing, rock drills, &c.

Specification prepared for crushers, which have not yet been ordered.

Suction Gas Plant for Main Drive—

Coolers and producer delivered. No advice yet as to date of shipment of engines from Great Britain.

Suction Gas Plant for Compressor Drive—

Cooler and producer delivered. Engines due for delivery 19th January, 1916.

Air compressor and receiver due for delivery 22nd January, 1916.

Specification prepared for sets of ironwork for side tip trucks for this quarry, and tenders will be invited early.

Specifications not yet prepared for balance of plant.

Output of quarry—750 tons per day.

This quarry will be located at a suitable point at or near the main line.

Each quarry will consist of two separate units, so that in case of breakdown, half the output can be maintained.

Waterways have been completed to 242 miles 69 chains.

Water Supply.—The Kalgoorlie dépôt is connected with the Kalgoorlie water supply mains. There is also a connexion with the Goldfields water supply mains of Golden Ridge, 13 miles from the Kalgoorlie dépôt.

The construction of a large reservoir and weir at Karonie (late Cardonia), about 69 miles from Kalgoorlie, is practically completed. This provides for a supply of approximately 7,750,000 gallons.

A reservoir of approximately 7,000,000 gallons is being excavated at 102 Mile,

A reservoir of approximately 3,000,000 gallons is nearing completion at 132 Mile.

Wells have been sunk or are in hand at 144, 220, 235, and 380 Miles.

Boring Contracts.—Messrs. Davis, Hankinson and Co.'s boring contract is in progress. The following shows the work to date, viz.:—

205 miles from Kalgoorlie, sunk to a depth of 449 feet; small supply of salt water only.

220 miles from Kalgoorlie, sunk to a depth of 236 feet; small supply only; good drinking water.

235 miles from Kalgoorlie, sunk to a depth of 323 feet; supply, 7,000 gallons daily; suitable water for drinking.

250 miles from Kalgoorlie, sunk to a depth of 400 feet; supply, 7,000 gallons daily; brackish water.

265 miles from Kalgoorlie, sunk to a depth of 402 feet; supply, 10,000 gallons daily; salt water.

280 miles from Kalgoorlie, sunk to a depth of 884 feet; supply, 10,000 gallons daily; salt water.

310 miles from Kalgoorlie, sunk to a depth of 1,371 feet; unlimited supply; salt water.

319 miles from Kalgoorlie, sunk to a depth of 414 feet; supply, 17,500 gallons daily; salt water.

337 miles from Kalgoorlie, sunk to a depth of 600 feet; supply of salt water.

A connexion has also been made with the Western Australian State bore

No. 3 at the 337 miles where there is an unlimited supply of water.

Further bores are being sunk.

Telegraph Line.—The erection of the telegraph line is complete to 388 miles 28 chains. A telephone circuit has been established, bringing works, sidings, and camps of importance in touch with the District Offices at Kalgoorlie. An electric staff wire has been erected, and electric staff instruments have been installed at a number of crossing stations.

The Morse Telegraph system has been inaugurated, and telegraph stations have been opened as follows:—

Kalgoorlie ;
Randalls (50 miles 73 chains)
Zanthus (125 miles 40 chains) ;
188 miles siding ;
Rawlinna (235 miles) ;
280 miles 20 chains siding ;
Loongana (336 miles 51 chains).

Departmental Ranch.—In the Western Division Departmental Ranches (*i.e.*, boarding houses) have been established at the Platelayers' Camp and at the Earthworks, with the object of providing the men with good meals at a reasonable rate. The Ranches are proving to be very successful.

The Department has also undertaken the meat supply for the men and others along the line. Meat is bought from a supplier who slaughters at convenient places along the line, and is distributed by the departmental butcher.

Number of men employed, 1,163.

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Survey.—The survey has been permanently located and pegged to Ooldea, 428 miles 53 chains from Port Augusta.

Earthworks are ready for platelaying to 331 miles 53 chains.

Platelaying.—The railhead is now at 330 miles 72 chains.

The work has been considerably hampered owing to shortage of labour consequent upon men enlisting for active service ; also on account of a large number of men leaving the works to engage in harvesting. The work has also been handicapped owing to a number of the horse-owners withdrawing their horses and sending them to the agricultural districts.

Sidings and Crossing Loops.—The following sidings and crossing loops have been constructed to assist in working forward the traffic for building the line :—

Miles.	Chains.		Miles.	Chains.	
—	73	.. Tassie-street	167	25	.. Siding
3	77	.. Ballast pit	177	75	.. Coondambo
17	07	.. Siding	198	73	.. Siding
34	29	.. Hesso	205	00	.. Siding
52	64	.. Bookaloo	209	09	.. Kingoonya
70	56	.. Woocalla	229	46	.. Siding
79	68	.. Birthday	240	00	.. Siding
94	02	.. Wirrappa	257	52	.. Tarcoola
106	20	.. Siding	267	75	.. Siding
113	11	.. Pimba	281	00	.. Siding
129	00	.. Burando	289	29	.. Siding
136	40	.. Siding	301	00	.. Siding
140	45	.. Siding	322	00	.. Wynbring
156	45	.. Wirraminna			

Ballasting.—The line has been lifted and ballasted complete for a distance of 40 miles. Owing to shortage of locomotives, however, ballasting has been suspended for the time being.

First Quarry, Eastern Division—

Rock crushers are being erected, and suction gas plant is being provided at Woocalla, 70 miles 56 chains from Port Augusta.

The quarry comprises two separate units. *No. 1 unit consists of—*

2 Hadfield's jaw crushers.

2 70 B.H.P. suction gas engines and gas plant for main drive.

1 58-B.H.P. suction gas engine and gas plant for compressor drive.

1 air compressor and receiver.

1 oil-driven winch.

Elevator screens, side tip trucks, gearing, rock drills, &c.

The whole of the above plant has been delivered, and is completely erected and in operation.

Machinery for No. 2 Unit—

1 No. 6 Jaques gyratory crusher.

1 No. 4 Jaques gyratory crusher for reject crushing.

1 130-B.H.P. premier suction gas engine, with producer arranged to burn coke fuel, and Little's patent cooler.

1 65-B.H.P. Crossley suction gas engine, with producer arranged to burn coke fuel, and Little's patent cooler.

1 air compressor and receiver.

1 oil-driven winch.

Elevator screens, side tip trucks, gearing, rock drills, &c.

Crushers have been delivered.

Suction gas plant for main drive and compressor drive and air compressor have been shipped, and delivery is expected shortly.

Air compressor and receiver; delivery expected almost immediately.

Oil-driven winch on order; delivery due 7th December, 1915.

Tenders for elevator and screens are now being dealt with.

Rock drills and accessories have been ordered.

A good deal of ironwork for this unit has been completed at Port Augusta.

Drawings of layout of plant, buildings, foundations of engines, &c., and Specifications have been completed and supplied to Port Augusta.

The site of the quarries has been connected by rail with Woocalla siding.

Second Quarry, Eastern Division—

The site of this quarry has not yet been determined.

Machinery for No. 1 Unit—

1 No. 6 Jaques gyratory crusher.

1 No. 4 Jaques gyratory crusher for reject crushing.

1 130-B.H.P. Ruston Proctor suction gas engine, producer and Singleton cooler for main drive.

1 58-B.H.P. Hornsby suction gas engine, producer and Singleton cooler for compressor drive.

1 air compressor and receiver, elevator, screens, side tip trucks, gearing, rock drills, &c.

1 oil-driven winch.

Specification prepared for crushers, which have not yet been ordered.

Suction Gas Plant for Main Drive—

Producer and cooler delivered. Engines have been shipped and delivery is expected shortly.

Suction gas plant for compressor drive delivered.

Air compressor and receiver due for delivery 22nd January, 1916.

Specifications for elevator and side tip trucks prepared; specifications in hand for minor plant.

Machinery for No. 2 Unit—

1 No. 6 Jaques gyratory crusher.

1 No. 4 Jaques gyratory crusher for reject crushing.

1 130-B.H.P. Ruston Proctor suction gas engine, coke fuel producer, and Singleton cooler for main drive.

1 58-B.H.P. Hornsby suction gas engine, coke fuel producer, and Singleton cooler for compressor drive.

1 air compressor and receiver.

1 oil-driven winch.

Elevator, screens, side tip trucks, gearing, rock drills, &c.

Specification prepared for crushers, which have not yet been ordered.

Suction gas plant for main drive. No advice yet received as to date of shipment from Great Britain.

Suction gas plant for compressor drive delivered.

Air compressor and receiver due for delivery 22nd January, 1916.

Specifications not yet prepared for elevator screens, oil-driven winch, rock drills, and accessories.

Output of quarry, 750 tons per day.

Each quarry will consist of two separate units, so that in cases of breakdown half the output can be maintained.

Waterways have been completed to 184 miles.

Water Supply.—The water for the Port Augusta dépôt is obtained from the town supply. This supply, however, is not adequate for our requirements, and provision is being made at Dépôt Creek some 25 miles from Port Augusta for Commonwealth railway requirements.

Reservoirs have been constructed or are in course of construction :—

Miles from Port Augusta.	Name of Locality.	Capacity (gallons).	Remarks.
53	Bookaloo	6,000,000	Completed.
94	Windabout	5,000,000	Practically completed.
114	Phillips Pond	5,000,000	Completed.
130	Eucolo	5,000,000	Practically completed.
250	Wilgena	5,000,000	} Will shortly be put in hand.
282	Kycherling	2,000,000	

In addition, an arrangement has been made with the South Australian Government to obtain water from the following State reservoirs, viz. :—

Miles from Port Augusta. m. chs.	Capacity (gallons).
17·00	3,000,000
34·00	3,000,000
79·00	3,750,000

An old tank at Monalena, 70 miles from Port Augusta, with a capacity of 97,000 gallons, has been taken over from the South Australian Government.

Wells.—Shallow bores and wells have been sunk along the line, and satisfactory supplies have been located at 158½, 169, 187½, 205, 210½, 216, 250½, 290 miles. Further shallow bores are now in progress.

Boring Contracts.—Some time since boring contracts were entered into with Messrs. Johnston Bros. for bores westward of Ooldea, and for a series of shallow bores eastward of Ooldea. The following shows the work to date :—

West of Ooldea—

- 463 miles from Port Augusta ; depth, 500 feet ; supply, 600 gallons daily ; salt water.
- 493 miles from Port Augusta ; depth, 852 feet ; bore in progress.
- 523 miles from Port Augusta ; depth, 509 feet ; bore in progress
15,000 gallons daily ; salt water.

The contract provides for other bores westward.

Ooldea and eastward—

- 438 miles from Port Augusta ; depth, 480 feet ; small supply ; salt water.
- 426 miles from Port Augusta ; depth, 334 feet ; unlimited supply ; salt water.
- 411 miles from Port Augusta ; depth, 309 feet ; small supply ; salt water.

No further bores are being sunk eastward.

Telegraph Line.—The erection of the telegraph line is complete to 327 miles 13 chains. A telephone circuit has been established, bringing works, sidings, and camps of importance in touch with the District Officers at Port Augusta. An electric staff wire has been erected, and electric staff instruments have been installed at a number of crossing stations.

As in the Western Division, the Morse Telegraph system has been inaugurated, and telegraph stations have been opened as follow :—

Port Augusta
Bookaloo (52 miles 64 chains) ;
Woocalla (70 miles 56 chains) ;
Pimba (113 miles 11 chains) ;
Kingoonyah (209 miles 09 chains) ;
Tarcoola (257 miles 52 chains).

Departmental Provision Stores.—Departmental provision stores for the supply of groceries, clothing, &c., for the men in the Eastern Division, have been established at the following places :—

Port Augusta,
Woocalla,
Pimba,
Kingoonya,
Tarcoola,
Platelayers' Camp,
Earthworks Gangs' Camp.

These stores are supplying the needs of about 1,500 persons, but no goods are sold within two miles of Port Augusta, the store there being the bulk one, and also the place from where orders for the various fettling and other small gangs along the line are supplied. The prices are the same at all stores, and a price list showing the rates prevailing on the last day of the month is issued, and is greatly appreciated by the men. It has been decided to establish a store with a general stores assistant in charge at each place where 100 or more men are located, and a "commission" store at places where from 50 to 99 men are stationed.

Number of men employed, 1,135.

SUMMARY.

Number of men employed—

Western Australian Division	..	..	..	..	..	1,163
South Australian Division	..	..	..	..	..	1,135
Total ..	..	..	..	..	..	<u>2,298</u>

ACQUISITION OF PROPERTIES.

Eastern Division—

Port Augusta Railway Workshops.—An area of 176 acres was acquired on the 20th February, 1915. Several claims for compensation have been settled, and the remainder are receiving attention. A further area of about 51 acres was acquired on the 20th March, 1915.

PARTICULARS OF LANDS ACQUIRED FOR WATER SUPPLY PURPOSES.

Locality.	Area Required.	Date.
	Acres.	
Depôt Creek .. ..	..	15th May 1914
Bookaloo	4,347	3rd October, 1914
Lake Windabout	2,649	3rd October, 1914
Phillips Pond	2,485	28th October, 1914
Eucolo Creek	1,374	15th May, 1915
158½ miles from Port Augusta ..	827	24th July, 1915
187 miles from Port Augusta ..	632	
Kingoonya	222	10th " July, 1915
Kingoonya	517	31st July, 1915
205½ miles from Port Augusta ..	790	24th July, 1915
250½ miles from Port Augusta ..	640	31st July, 1915
Tarcoola	20	11th September, 1915

PINE CREEK TO KATHERINE RIVER RAILWAY.

This line is a continuation of the existing Darwin-Pine Creek railway, and will extend a distance of 54 miles 40 chains, terminating 200 miles 56 chains from Darwin. The line is being constructed with 60-lb. material to a 3 ft. 6 in. gauge, as provided in Section 5 of the *Pine Creek to Katherine River Railway Act* 1913, provision being made in the construction of the permanent ways and works for subsequent alteration to a gauge of not less than 4 ft. 8½ in. All rails and fishplates and the major portion of the fastenings required for this extension have been forwarded to Darwin. Sleepers have been forwarded to the number of 27,000 steel and 44,000 powellised karri.

Clearing has been completed to the Katherine River, and earthworks are in progress to 194¼ miles, a little more than 6 miles from the terminus. Forming has been completed to 161 miles.

A temporary road for waggons has been made to 194 miles.

Platelaying was commenced in August, but on account of there being an industrial dispute, which resulted in material not being forwarded from Darwin, the progress has been retarded. The head of the road is now at 159 miles 50 chains, 13 miles 34 chains having been laid since a start was made with this work.

The waterways are complete to 155 miles 27 chains, and are in hand to 168 miles 62 chains.

Bridges (five in number) have been completed up to 156 miles 62 chains. Concrete work has been completed in No. 6 bridge at 162 miles 50 chains, and No. 7 bridge at 163 miles 64 chains. Superstructure is in hand on the former bridge, and a start has been made with the excavation for No. 8 bridge at 166 miles 19 chains.

Number of men employed, 502.

KATHERINE (200 miles 40 chains) TO BITTER SPRINGS (265 miles).

The permanent survey is now completed to Bitter Springs. This section traverses easier country than the Pine Creek to Katherine extension, and earth-works will be lighter.

The question of construction was referred to the Public Works Committee.

TRIAL SURVEY—BITTER SPRINGS (265 miles) TO DALY WATERS (367 miles).

This work is in hand, and satisfactory progress is being made. After crossing the Elsey Creek, the country will be found to be fairly easy to Daly Waters, and it is expected that good progress will be made. The main difficulty to be overcome is that of transport and water supply.

KINGOONYA TO OODNADATTA TRIAL SURVEY.

This survey was completed in the second week in July. The route adopted is practically that disclosed as most suitable after careful inspection of alternative routes. The survey commenced at 210 miles from Port Augusta on the Port Augusta—Kalgoorlie railway and terminated on the Oodnadatta railway at 613 miles 11 chains from Adelaide, or approximately 75 miles from Oodnadatta.

The length of line surveyed is 176 miles 35 chains.

DARWIN TO PINE CREEK RAILWAY.

This railway, 145½ miles in length, was handed over to the control of the Commonwealth Railways as from the first of July, 1915.

QUEANBEYAN—CANBERRA RAILWAY.

This railway, a length of 4 miles 75½ chains, was opened for goods traffic on 25th May, 1914. It is being worked by the New South Wales Chief Commissioner for Railways.

CANBERRA—JERVIS BAY RAILWAY.

A trial survey of the Canberra—Jervis Bay railway, a length of approximately 135 miles, has been completed and plans have been prepared sufficient to enable an estimate of the cost of the line to be arrived at.

CANBERRA TO YASS RAILWAY.

A trial survey from Canberra to the boundary of the Federal Territory (in the direction of Yass), a distance of 11 miles, was completed some time ago, and advice has since been received from the New South Wales Government that the survey undertaken by them from the boundary of the Federal Territory to Yass railway station, a distance of 32 miles, has also been completed.

CURRENT CONTRACTS.

Quantity.	Item.	Date Advertised.	Date Accepted.	Particulars.	Remarks.
47,190 tons 2,988 "	RAILS, steel, 80-lb. FISHPLATES, steel, 80-lb.	7.6.1913	24.9.1913	<div>Fremantle— Elder, Smith, and Co., and Wills and Co.— 27,190 tons rails, at £7 11s. 8d. per ton .. 1,797 tons fishplates, at £9 11s. 8d. per ton ::</div> <div>Port Augusta— Elder, Smith, and Co., and Wills and Co.— 10,000 tons rails, at £6 17s. per ton ..</div> <div>G. and C. Hoskins Ltd.— 10,000 tons rails, at £8 16s. per ton .. 1,274 tons fishplates, at £11 2s. per ton .. (If delivery be taken on rails, Lithgow, N.S.W., these rates are to be 26s. per ton less)</div>	<div>Delivered.</div> <div>10,000 tons delivered.</div> <div>6,708 tons rails and 1,362 tons fishplates delivered. Balance contract for rails transferred to Broken Hill Co.</div>
12,500 tons 660 "	RAILS FISHPLATES	..	23.2.1915	<div>Elder, Smith, and Co., and Geo. Wills and Co.— F.O.B., Middlesbrough— Rails, £7 per ton £87,500 0 0 Fishplates, £9 per ton 5,940 0 0 £93,440 0 0</div>	<div>Quotations received in England. Delivery— Final shipment in July, 1915.</div> <div>12,299 tons rails and 637 tons fishplates delivered.</div>
12,500 tons 660 "	RAILS FISHPLATES	..	26.3.15	<div>Broken Hill Pty. Co. Ltd.— Rails— Delivered at Fremantle, at £8 13s. 6d. per ton Delivered at Port Augusta, at £8 9s. per ton Fishplates— Delivered at Fremantle, at £10 19s. 6d. per ton Delivered at Port Augusta, at £10 15s. per ton</div> <div>Or, at the option of the Minister— F.O.B. Newcastle— Rails, at £7 12s. 6d. per ton .. Fishplates, at £9 18s. 6d. per ton ..</div>	<div>8,534 tons rails delivered Port Augusta.</div> <div>Contract amounts stated are based on half quantities being delivered at each port.</div> <div>Delivery— Complete delivery by the end of October, 1915.</div>

Quantity.	Item.	Date Advertised.	Date Accepted.	Particulars.	Remarks.
18,750 tons 990 "	RAILS FISHPLATES	.. ..	13.5.1915	<p>The Broken Hill Pty. Co. Ltd.— At the option of the Minister, at the following rates :— F.O.B., Newcastle— Rails .. £7 12 6 per ton } £153,339 0 0 Fishplates 10 9 6 " Ship's Slings, Port Augusta— Rails .. £8 9 0 per ton } Fishplates 11 0 6 " Ship's Slings, Fremantle— Rails .. £8 13 6 per ton } £171,529 13 9 Fishplates 11 3 3 "</p>	<p>Delivery— Within 5 months from next September in- clusive. Contract amounts stated are based on half quantities being delivered at each port.</p>
15,800 tons 660 "	RAILS FISHPLATES	.. ..	18.8.1915	<p>The Broken Hill Pty. Co. Ltd.— At the option of the Minister, at the following rates :— F.O.B., Newcastle— Rails £7 12 6 per ton Fishplates 10 9 6 " Ship's slings, Port Augusta— Rails £8 9 0 ton } For 12,500 tons Fishplates 11 0 6 " } rails and 660 Ship's slings, Fremantle— Rails £8 13 6 ton } tons fishplates Fishplates 11 3 3 " Ship's slings, Port Augusta (for 3,300 tons rails)— Rails £8 16 0 per ton Total amount of contract .. £143,393 2 6</p>	<p>The 3,300 tons rails to be delivered in equal proportions over a period of eight months from 18th August, 1915. The 12,500 tons rails and equivalent quan- tity of fishplates to be delivered—2,500 tons in March and April, 1916, and there- after 1,000 tons per month.</p>
Fremantle— 933 tons 134 " Port Augusta— 933 tons 49 "	DOGSPIKES for 80- lb. rails FISHBOLTS for 80- lb. rails DOGSPIKES for 80- lb. rails FISHBOLTS for 80- lb. rails	7.5.1913	8.10.1913	<p>G. and C. Hoskins Ltd., Lithgow, New South Wales— Dogspikes for 80-lb. rails .. } 933 tons, Fremantle, at £16 1s. per ton at £15 11s. per ton Fishbolts for 80-lb. rails .. } 134 tons, Fremantle, at £21 16s. per ton 49 tons, Port Augusta, at £21 6s. per ton</p>	<p>873 tons dogspikes delivered at Fremantle, and 993 tons at Port Augusta. 109 tons fishbolts delivered at Fremantle, and 49 tons at Port Augusta.</p>
443 tons	WROUGHT IRON DOGSPIKES	30.1.1915	3.3.1915	<p>McPherson's Pty. Ltd.— 443 tons of dogspikes, at £18 15s. per ton, £8,306 5 0 delivered at Fremantle</p>	<p>Delivery— At least 40 tons within 1 month from 25th February, 1915, and then 40 tons weekly 316 tons delivered. 7 tons diverted to Pine Creek. 9 tons diverted to Port Augusta.</p>

Current Contracts—continued.

Quantity.	Item.	Date Advertised.	Date Accepted.	Particulars.		Remarks.
340 tons	WROUGHT IRON DOG SPIKES— continued.	30.1.1915	3.3.1915	G. F. Sewell— 300 tons delivered at Fremantle, at £18 15s. per ton £5,625 0 0 40 tons delivered at Port Augusta, at £18 15s. per ton 750 0 0 £6,375 0 0		Delivery— 15 tons within 1 month from 25th February, 1915, and then 15 tons weekly. 787 tons delivered. 40 tons for Port Augusta to be delivered first. Completed.
299 "	"	11.9.1915	20.10.1915	G. F. Sewell— Delivered Ship's Slings, Fremantle— 124 tons, at £19 17s. per ton £2,461 8 0 118 tons at £20 per ton 2,360 0 0 Delivered at Ship's Slings, Port Augusta— 57 tons, at £20 5s. per ton 1,154 5 0 Total amount of contract £5,975 13 0		Delivery— 30 tons within 10 weeks from 20th October, 1915, and balance at the rate of 40 tons per week. 54 tons delivered to Port Augusta.
193 "	"	"	"	Victoria Iron Rolling Co. Pty. Ltd.— 57 tons, delivered in Ship's Slings, Fre- mantle, at £20 15s. per ton £1,182 15 0 136 tons delivered in Ship's Slings, Port Augusta, at £20 5s. per ton 2,754 0 0 Total amount of contract £3,936 15 0		Delivery, Port Augusta— 5 tons in four weeks from 20th October, 1915, balance at the rate of 5 tons per week. Delivery, Fremantle— 10 tons in 8 weeks from 20th October, 1915, balance at the rate of 10 tons per week. 7 tons delivered.
500 "	"	30.1.1915	3.3.1915	Victoria Iron Rolling Co. Pty. Ltd.— 500 tons of dogsplikes, delivered at Fremantle, at £18 15s. per ton £9,375 0 0		Delivery— 40 tons within 1 month from 3rd March, 1915, then 40 tons weekly. 385 tons delivered, and 25 tons diverted to Pine Creek.
347 "	DOGSPIKES	5.6.1915	7.7.1915	G. F. Sewell— Delivered at Port Augusta— 150 tons, at £18 17s. per ton £2,827 10 0 Delivered at Fremantle— 20 tons, at £18 15s. per ton.. .. 375 0 0 £3,202 10 0		Delivery— As directed at the rate of 20 tons per week, first delivery within 1 month from 7th July 1915. For balance of contract, see Katherine River-Pine Creek. 54 tons delivered at Port Augusta.
182	FISHBOLTS AND DOGSPIKES	30.1.1915	17.3.1915	Gray Bros., Port Adelaide— Delivered at Fremantle—32 tons of fishbolts and nuts at £22 2s. 4d. per ton £707 14 8 Delivered at Port Augusta—150 tons of dog- splikes, at £15 15s. per ton 2,362 10 0 £3,070 4 8		Delivery— Fremantle (fishbolts)—12 tons in 4 months from 17th March, 1915, and then 12 tons monthly. 5 tons delivered. Port Augusta (dogsplikes)—14 tons in 1 month from 17th March, 1915, and then 24 tons monthly. 60 tons delivered.

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150 tons	FISHBOLTS AND NUTS	30.1.15	27.4.1915	McPherson's Pty. Ltd., Melbourne— 150 tons of steel fishbolts and nuts, at £29 per ton, delivered at Port Augusta or Fre- mantle £4,350 0 0	Delivery— 20 tons are to be shipped within 1 month from 27th April, 1915, then 15 tons per week for following three weeks, and thereafter 10 tons weekly. Contract is for either Port Augusta or Fremantle, as directed, but Port Augusta shipments not to exceed 80 tons. 51 tons delivered Fremantle 45 tons delivered Port Augusta.
60 "	"	"	18.9.1915	60 tons additional to be taken as part of con- tract, at £29 per ton £1,740 0 0 Total amount of contract £6,090 0 0	
80 "	"	"	24.8.1915	Gray Bros.— The manufacture and delivery f.o.b. Port Adelaide of 80 tons of fishbolts and nuts for Port Augusta, at £30 10s. per ton. Total amount of contract £2,440 0 0	Steel supplied by Department at £15 per ton. Delivery— 4 to 5 tons per week; first delivery 14 days from arrival of raw material on wharf. 11 tons delivered.
100 "	"	"	18.9.1915	The Victoria Iron Rolling Co. Pty. Ltd.— 100 tons delivered f.o.b. Melbourne, at £30 per ton. Total amount of contract £3,000 0 0	Delivery— 20 tons per month; first delivery one month from 18th September, 1915.
43,225	JARRAH SLEEPERS	21.3.1912	24.8.1912	Bunning Bros.— Jarrah, at 4s. 1d. each, delivered at Collie, Cardiff, and Argyle, Western Australia Jarrah, at 4s. 9d. each delivered at Lion Mill, Western Australia	} 42,492 sleepers delivered.
10,000	"	"	"	Port and Co.— 25,000, at 4s. 0½d. each, on trucks, Pindolup, W.A. W. B. Smith— 2,000, at 3s. 8d. each, on trucks at Denmark, W.A.	
25,000	"	25.6.1914	14.8.1914	T. Nolan— 1,000, at 3s. 9½d. each, on trucks, Yornup, W.A. The Donnybrook Sawmills, Bunbury, W.A.— 10,000, at 4s. 2d. each, alongside ship, Bunbury	Completed. 1,405 delivered.
2,000	"	"	"		987 delivered.
1,000	"	"	"		Delivery— 90 loads per month. First delivery 1 month from 23rd July, 1915. 5,060 delivered.
10,000	"	12.6.1915	23.7.1915		Delivery— First delivery, 2,000 in September; balance, 2 000 monthly. 2,997 delivered.
10,000	"	"	"	G. B. Stanton— 10,000, at 4s. 2d. each, alongside ship, Bunbury...	Delivery— 1,000 per month from 23rd July, 1915. 1,947 delivered.
5,000	"	"	"	James Guthrie— 5,000, at 4s. 2d. each, alongside ship, Bunbury ..	Delivery— 5,000 during August, and thereafter 8,000 per month. 7,140 delivered.
20,000	"	"	"	C. Plavin— 20,000, at 4s. each, alongside ship, Bunbury ..	Delivery— 1,000 on or before 31st August, then 1,000 per month. 2,561 delivered.
6,000	"	"	"	The Wilgarrup Karri and Jarrah Co. Ltd.— 6,000, at 4s. each, alongside ship, Bunbury ..	

Current Contracts—continued.

Quantity.	Item.	Date. Advertised.	Date Accepted.	Particulars.	Remarks.
12,000	JARRAH SLEEPERS— <i>continued.</i>	12.6.1915	23.7.1915	John P. Ryan— 12,000, at 3s. 11½d. each, alongside ship, Bunbury	Delivery— 2,000 per month, from 23rd July, 1915.
100,000	"	"	"	Western Australian Government— 100,000 Jarrah, at 4s. 2d. each, alongside ship free for export at Busseton or Bunbury	Delivery— 3,902 delivered. 50,000 per month. 41,251 delivered.
100,000	TASMANIAN HARDWOOD SLEEPERS	25.7.1914	20.8.1914	Huon Timber Co. Ltd.— 100,000, at 5s. 7d. each, delivered at Port Augusta	94,782 delivered.
10,000	N.S.W. IRONBARK SLEEPERS	31.10.1914	11.12.1914	Railway Workers and G. L. Association of N.S.W.— 10,000 at 5s. 1d. on Wharf, Darling Harbor, Sydney	1st shipment of 5,000 due 28th February, 1915. Completed.
200 pairs	WHEELS AND AXLES (10" x 5")	25.11.1914	28.1.1915	Strachan, Murray, and Shannon Ltd.— 200 pairs at £19 15s. per pair, f.o.b. Liverpool	50 pairs to be delivered by 26th May, 1915, and 50 pairs weekly thereafter. 100 pairs delivered Kalgoorlie.
150 pairs	WHEELS AND AXLES (10" x 5")	25.11.1914	28.1.1915	Fraser and Chalmers Ltd.— 75 Pairs delivered at Fremantle at £19 12s. 6d. 75 pairs delivered at Port Augusta at £21	Complete delivery by 28th April, 1915 Contract completed.
Port Augusta—	REINFORCED CONCRETE PIPES AND BARREL CUL- VERTS	12.6.1912	25.10.1912	For Port Augusta— South Australian Reinforced Concrete Company— 787 1-ft. 6-in. pipes, at 23s. each £905 1 0 1,125 2-ft. 6-in. pipes, at 44s. each 2,475 0 0 900 5-ft. pipes, at £6 each 5,400 0 0 Delivered Port Augusta £8,780 1 0	787 1-ft. 6-in. pipes, delivered 947 2-ft. 6-in. " " 618 5-ft. " "
..	STEELWORK	3.7.1915	4.8.1915	Dorman, Long, and Co— Delivered at Port Augusta— Quantity M.S. joists, &c., for Delivered at Fremantle— Quantity M.S. joists, &c., for Total amount of contract £1,145 4 9	Delivery— First delivery to be ready in 4 weeks, final in 8 weeks from 4th August, 1915. Portion delivered to Port Augusta.
..	"	17.4.1915	3.6.1915	Samuel Perry, Mile End, South Australia— Steelwork for Roofing, Wind about, and Euclolo Reservoirs, South Australian Section— Total amount of contract £543 1 4	Delivery— Complete within 5½ months from 3rd June, 1915.
..	"	17.4.1915	3.6.1915	Dorman, Long, and Co., Grant-street, South Melbourne— Steelwork for Roofing, Windabout, and Euclolo Reservoirs, South Australian Section— Total amount of contract £1,034 8 4	Delivery— Portion, 6 weeks from 3rd June, 1915; balance within 8 weeks from 3rd June, 1915. Na advice of shipmen

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4	Locomotive Boilers	22.5.1915	25.6.1915	The Clyde Engineering Co. Ltd., Granville, N.S.W.— Delivered at Port Augusta— 2 No. Loco. Boilers, "G" Class, at £2,225 each £4,450 0 0 Delivered at Fremantle— 2 No. Loco. Boilers, "G" Class, at £2,225 each 4,450 0 0 Total amount of contract £8,900 0 0	Delivery— 1 boiler to be delivered within 10 months, balance to be delivered within 13 months from 25th June, 1915.
3	"	22.5.1915	25.6.1915	Samuel Perry, Adelaide, South Australia— 3 No. "Q" Class Boiler, delivered at Fremantle, at £1,095 each £3,285 0 0 Total amount of contract £3,285 0 0	Delivery— First delivery within 28 weeks, final within 36 weeks from 25th June, 1915.
150	Signal Masts and Fittings	19.6.1915	13.8.1915	McKenzie and Holland Ltd.— 88 delivered in ship's slings on railway trucks, Fremantle, for £2,113 18 4 62 delivered in ship's slings on railway trucks, Port Augusta, for 1,484 1 8 Total amount of contract £3,598 0 0	Delivery to each end— 15 in 12 weeks, 20 in 20 weeks, 20 in 28 weeks, balance in 36 weeks from 13th August, 1915.
15,000 tons	New South Wales Coal	..	21.10.1914	The Adelaide Steamship Co. and Howard Smith and Co. (jointly)— 15,000 tons, at 22s. per ton, delivered at £16,500 0 0 Fremantle, W.A. Huddart Parker and Co. Ltd.— 17,000 tons, at 18s. 6d. per ton, delivered £15,725 0 0 at Port Augusta, S.A.	13,994 tons delivered. Delivery extends over 12 months. 16,636 tons delivered. Delivery extends over 12 months.
30,000 "	"	14.8.1915	23.9.1915	Huddart Parker and Co. Ltd.— 30,000 tons, at 20s. 6d. per ton, delivered in ship's slings on trucks at Port Augusta Total amount of contract £30,750 0 0	Delivery— 2,500 tons per month, first delivery by 23rd October, 1915.
25,000	"	"	"	The Adelaide Steamship Co. and Howard Smith Ltd. (jointly)— 25,000 tons, at 25s. 6d. per ton, delivered in ship's slings on trucks at Fremantle Total amount of contract £31,875 0 0	Delivery— 3,000 tons within 1 month from 23rd Sep- tember, 1915, and thereafter at the rate of 2,000 tons per month.
	Galvanized Rivets, Washers	14.11.1914	23.12.1914	Brown and Dureau— 52½ tons Galvanized Iron at £15 11s. 3d. .. £817 0 7 1 ton 16.3 cwt. Rivets and Washers at £36 .. 65 6 9 £882 7 4	Shipment from England, January, 1915. 52 tons iron and 26 cwt. washers delivered.

Current Contracts—continued.

Quantity.	Item.	Date Advertised.	Date Accepted.	Particulars.	Remarks.
12	CAST - IRON TANKS	5.12.1914	16.2.1915	W. Anderson and Sons— 6 delivered at Port Augusta, schedule rates .. £2,027 1 0 6 delivered at Fremantle, schedule rates .. 2,003 9 0 £4,030 10 0	Delivery— First 2 were directed within 2 months from 16th February, 1915, then 2 tanks each succeeding month. 5 delivered Fremantle, 6 delivered Port Augusta. For balance of Contract see Pine Creek- Katherine River Railway.
12	CAST-IRON TANK STANDS	31.12.1914	22.2.1915	J. S. Bagshaw and Sons— 6 delivered at Port Augusta, schedule rates .. £1,126 5 0 6 delivered at Fremantle, schedule rates .. 1,179 17 0 £2,306 2 0	Delivery— 1 stand at Port Augusta within 32 weeks, then 1 per week thereafter from 22nd February, 1915. 1 stand at Fremantle within 34 weeks, then 1 per week thereafter from 22nd February, 1915. For balance of Contract see Pine Creek- Katherine River Railway.
30	9-in. WATER CRANES	"	"	G. F. Sowell— 15 delivered at Fremantle, at £72 13s. 6d. .. £1,090 2 6 15 delivered at Port Augusta, at £72 17s. 6d. .. 1,093 2 6 £2,183 5 0	Delivery— Fremantle—2 in 3 months, then 3 per month. Port Augusta—2 in 3 months, then 3 per month from 22nd February, 1915. 15 delivered Fremantle; 12 delivered Port Augusta. For balance of Contract see Pine Creek- Katherine River Railway.
..	GALVANIZED RIVETS AND WASHERS	"	"	Brown and Dureau— 8.40 cwt. galvanized rivets, $\frac{3}{8}$ " diameter .. £15 6 7 1 ton 5.71 cwt. washers for above .. 46 18 5 £62 5 0	Delivery— Shipment to be effected from England in April, 1915. Half arrived. Half due <i>ex</i> <i>Kia Ora</i> , at Port Adelaide now.
85.1 cwt.	BOLTS, NUTS, WASHERS, ETC.	..	25.6.1915	Mophan Ferguson Pty. Ltd.— Delivered at Port Augusta— 80.6 cwt., at 30s. per cwt. .. £120 18 0 Delivered at Fremantle— 4.5 cwt., at 31s. per cwt. .. 6 19 6 Total amount of contract .. £127 17 6	Delivery to be effected by first boat available after 4 weeks from 25th June, 1914. Delivered.
..	MILD STEEL GIRDERS, ETC.	16.1.1915	25.2.1915	Samuel Perry, Adelaide, South Australia— Mild steel girders, &c., for superstructure of 40-ft. bridge spans, South Australian divi- sion, schedule rates £3,168 18 6	Delivery— First in 5 months, from 25th February, 1915 Complete in 7½ months.

Current Contracts—continued.

Quantity.	Item.	Date Advertised.	Date Accepted.	Particulars.	Remarks.
..	POINTS, CROSS- INGS, AND SWITCH LEVERS	30.1.1915	13.3.1915	James Martin and Co., Gawler, South Australia— Delivered at Port Augusta— 60 sets points crossings, switch levers and guard rails, at £21 9s. 10d. per set .. £1,289 10 0 30 reversible switch levers and 8' 4½" pull rods, at £3 2s. 10d. per set .. 94 5 0 70 sets non-reversible switch levers with rigid handles and 8' 4½" pull rods, at £3 5s. 10d. per set .. 230 8 4 £1,614 3 4 Delivered at Fremantle— 60 sets points, crossings, and guard rails, at £24 4s. 3d. per set .. 1,452 15 0 £3,066 18 4	Delivery— Delivery at the rate of 6 sets of points and crossings per week, Switch levers being in each case delivered at Port Augusta. Contractor advised of order of delivery at respective ports. Delivery to commence within 6 weeks from 13th March, 1915. Delivered at Port Augusta— 54 sets points and crossings, 24 rever- sible and 64 non-reversible switch levers. Delivered at Fremantle— 36 sets points and crossings.
..	GALVANIZED PIPING, WITH SOCKETS	13.2.1915	11.3.1915	Stewarts and Lloyds, Perth, Western Australia— Delivered at Fremantle— 6" galvanized piping—250', at 7s. 6d. per foot, less 63½ per cent. .. 4" galvanized piping—8,000', at 4s. 9d. per foot, less 63½ per cent. .. £1,611 0 10 3" galvanized piping—8,000', at 3s. 3d. per foot, less 63½ per cent. .. 2½" galvanized piping—8,000', at 2s. 9d. per foot, less 63½ per cent. .. Clutterbuck Bros., Adelaide, South Australia— Delivered at Port Augusta— 1 Premier suction-gas engine and suction- gas producer, with spares .. £1,237 2 0	Delivery— Within 5 months from 11th March, 1915. Contract completed. Delivery— Within 18 weeks from 31st March, 1915. No advice of shipment.
1	SUCTION GAS ENGINE AND GAS-PRO- DUCER PLANT (130 b.h.p.)	16.1.1915	31.3.1915	Gibson, Battle, and Co., Melbourne— Delivered at Fremantle— 2 suction-gas engines and suction-gas pro- ducers .. £2,861 8 0	Delivery— 1 engine and plant in 11 weeks, the other engine in 13 weeks, and the other producer packed on railway trucks, Fremantle, in 7 weeks. £2,050 to be paid in London to Ruston, Proctor Co. Ltd., and balance in Melbourne. 2 water coolers and 1 producer plant and 3 pumps delivered.
2	SUCTION GAS ENGINES AND GAS-PRO- DUCER PLANTS (130 b.h.p.)	16.1.1915	31.3.1915		

Current Contracts—continued.

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2	SUCTION GAS ENGINES AND GAS-PRODUCER PLANTS	..	19.8.1915	R. Hornsby and Sons Ltd.— 2 complete plants delivered at Port Augusta, £628 each. Total amount of contract .. £1,256 0 0	Delivered.
2	" "	..	"	Saunders and Stuart Ltd.— 2 complete plants, delivered at Fremantle, at £678 each. Total amount of contract .. £1,356 0 0	Gas plants in four weeks, coolers in six weeks, and engines in five months from 19th August, 1915.
8,000 casks (each 375 lbs. net)	CEMENT	..	5.5.1915	The Adelaide Portland Cement Co. Ltd.— 8,000 casks, delivered f.o.b., Adelaide, at 11s. 8d. per cask .. £4,666 13 4	Delivery— Amended. 100 tons per month. 249 tons delivered
3	SUCTION GAS	..	13.5.1915	{ Saunders and Stuart, Perth, Western Australia— Fremantle— Two 72 b.h.p. Crossley engines, two Ak- royd wood producers, and two No. 5 Little's coolers, for .. £1,280 0 0 Port Augusta— One 72 b.h.p. Crossley engine, one 90 h.p. coke producer, and one No. 5 Little's cooler, for .. 631 0 0 Total amount .. £1,911 0 0	Delivery— Complete within 10 weeks from date of acceptance, 13th May, 1915 No advice of shipment received.
4	SUCTION GAS	..	24.5.1915	{ Gibson, Battle, and Co., Melbourne— Fremantle— Two 144 continuous b.h.p. suction gas engines, supplied with Singleton coolers, Size "C" and two wood gas producers Port Augusta— Two 144 continuous b.h.p. suction gas engines, supplied with Singleton coolers, size "C" and two coke gas producers with all accessories, lot for .. £5,264 0 0	Two plants to be delivered within 12 weeks and the remaining two within 15 weeks from 24th May, 1915. Two coolers and one pump delivered, Port Augusta. Two coolers and one pump delivered, Kal- goorlie.
234,270 sup. ft. (124 sets)	CROSSING TIM- BERS	..	18.5.1915	State Saw Mills, Western Australia— Port Augusta— 117,135 sup. ft., at 17s. 6d. per 100 sup. ft. £1,024 18 8 On rails, Wurring— 117,135 sup. ft., at 9s. 4d. per 100 sup. ft. 546 12 7 Total amount of contract .. £1,571 11 3	Delivery— Port Augusta, 2 months. Wurring, 1 month. Contract complete.

Quantity.	Item.	Date Advertised.	Date Accepted.	Particulars.			Remarks.
25,000 feet	SPIRAL RIVET- TED PIPE, 6"	20.3.1915	11.6.1915	Mephan Ferguson Pty. Ltd., Footscray— 25,000 feet of 6" pipe, 13 gauge, at 2s. 2d. per foot, delivered at Port Augusta ..	£2,708	6 8	Delivery— 5,000 feet in 17 weeks, and then 5,000 feet per week.
103,100 feet	WOOD STAVE PIPES	20.3.1915	11.6.1915	The Australian Wood Pipe Co. Ltd., 51 York- street, Sydney, N.S.W.— 13,100 feet of 4½" pipe, at 1s. 9d. per foot 90,000 feet of 6" pipe, at 2s. 2½d. per foot delivered at Port Augusta Total amount of contract ..	£1,146	5 0 9,937 10 0 £11,083 15 0	Delivery— First delivery within two weeks, and final delivery within 12 weeks from 11th June, 1915.
7	STATIONARY KEROSENE ENGINES	17.4.1915	18.6.1915	Ronaldson Bros. and Tippett, Creswick-road, Ballarat— Port Augusta— 7 No. 10 b.h.p. "Austral" stationary kerosene engines, at £125 each Total amount of contract ..	£875	0 0	Delivery— Within 4 weeks from 18th June, 1915. Contract completed.
2	WELL PUMPS AND POWER HEADS	17.4.1915	18.6.1915	J. H. Horwood and Co. Ltd. Franklin-street, Adelaide— Delivered at Port Augusta— 2 No. Well pumps and power heads, at £110 each Total amount of contract ..	£220	0 0	Delivery— Within 4 weeks from 18th June, 1915. Contract completed.
12	6-B.H.P. EN- GINES FOR BORE PUMP- ING PLANT	5.6.1915	7.9.1915	The Meadowbank Mfg. Co.— 12 6-B.H.P. Engines, delivered f.o.b. Sydney, at £79 each Total amount of contract ..	948	0 0	Delivery— 1 within twelve weeks from 7th September, 1915, and hereafter three per week.
4	BELT DRIVEN DUPLIX PUMPS	17.4.1915	19.6.1915	Kelly and Lewis Pty. Ltd., Melbourne— Delivered at Port Augusta— 4 No. Horizontal, double acting, duplex belt-driven pumps, at £90 each Total amount of contract ..	£360	0 0	Delivery— Within 8 weeks from 19th June, 1915. Contract completed.
3	AIR COMPRES- SORS, BELT DRIVEN	22.5.1915	27.7.1915	Gibson, Battle and Co., Melbourne— Delivered at Fremantle— 2 No. Air compressors, at £210 each Delivered at Port Augusta— 1 No. Air Compressor, at £210 each Total amount of contract ..	£420	0 0 210 0 0 £630 0 0	Delivery— Delivery of whole to be effected within 12 weeks from 27th July, 1915.

Current Contracts—*continued.*

Quantity.	Item.	Date Advertised.	Date Accepted.	Particulars.		Remarks.
4	BELT DRIVEN AIR COMPRES- SORS	3.7.1915	24.9.1915	Taylor, Horsfield, and Co.— 2 Air Compressors, delivered in ship's slings on trucks at Fremantle, at £238 each 2 Air Compressors, delivered in ship's slings on trucks at Port Augusta, at £237 each Total amount of contract ..	£950 0 0	Delivery— 2 within ten weeks; balance in seventeen weeks from 24th September, 1915.
2	ELEVATORS ..	22.5.1915	28.7.1915	The Link Belt Co., Sydney, N.S.W.— Delivered at Fremantle— 2 No. Elevators, with necessary belting, at £217 each Total amount of contract ..	£434 0 0	Delivery— Within three weeks from 28th July, 1915, at Sydney. Contract completed.
72	TARPAULINS ..	3.7.1915	17.8.1915	Harris, Scarfe, and Co. Ltd.— 24 delivered f.o.b. Port Adelaide for Port Augusta, at £7 6s. 6d. each .. 48 delivered f.o.b. Port Adelaide for Fre- mantle, at £7 6s. 6d. each .. Total amount of contract ..	175 16 0 351 12 0 £527 8 0	Contract completed.
2	75-FT. TURN- TABLES	"	23.8.1915	S. Perry— 1 No. delivered, ship's slings, Fremantle, for 1 No. delivered, ship's slings, Port Augusta, for Total amount of contract ..	£1,146 18 0 1,131 5 6 £2,278 3 6	Delivery within 10 months from 23rd August, 1915.
42 sets	CASTINGS AND FORGINGS FOR HAND - PUMP CARS	24.7.1915	24.8.1915	J. H. Horwood and Co. Ltd.— 8 sets delivered ship's slings, Port Augusta, at £10 5s. 3d. set 34 sets delivered ship's slings, Fremantle, at £10 7s. 4d. set Total amount of contract ..	£434 11 4	Delivery— 6 sets within 3 weeks; final delivery within 8 weeks from 24th August, 1915.
12	POWER HEADS, WALKING BEAMS AND SUPPORTS	26.6.1915	25.8.1915	J. H. Horwood and Co. Ltd.— For Kalgoorlie— 12 delivered f.o.b. Port Adelaide, at £71 9s. 6d. each Total amount of contract ..	£857 14 0	Delivery— 4 within 6 weeks; balance within 12 weeks from 25th August, 1915.

Quantity.	Item.	Date Advertised.	Date Accepted.	Particulars.	Remarks.
89 sets	CASTINGS AND FORGINGS FOR JENGTSMEN'S TROLLEYS	24.7.1915	7.9.1915	Union Engineering Co. Ltd.— 57 sets delivered ship's slings, Fremantle, at £12 9s. per set 32 sets delivered ship's slings, Port Augusta, at £12 3s. per set Total amount of contract	Delivery— 4 sets within 6 weeks from 7th September, 1915; and thereafter 4 sets per week.
12	TRIPOD DRILLS AND ACCES- SORIES	19.6.1915	7.9.1915	Elder, Smith, and Co. Ltd.— 8 drills and accessories delivered ship's slings, Fremantle, for 4 drills and accessories delivered ship's slings, Port Augusta, for Total amount of contract	Delivery— Within 8 weeks from 7th September, 1915,
6	POPPING DRILLS AND ACCES- SORIES	"	8.9.1915	Ingersoll Rand Co.— 4 drills and accessories delivered c.l.f., Fremantle, for 2 drills and accessories delivered c.l.f., Port Augusta, for Total amount of contract	Delivery— Within 10 to 12 weeks from 8th September, 1915
10	TRIPOD DRILLS AND ACCES- SORIES	24.7.1915	4.10.1915	Fraser and Chalmers Ltd.— Delivered ship's slings, Port Augusta— 8 tripod drills and accessories at schedule rates 4 popping drills and accessories at schedule rates Delivered at ship's slings, Fremantle— 8 tripod drills and accessories at schedule rates 4 popping drills and accessories at schedule rates Total amount of contract	Immediate delivery from Melbourne after inspection
8	POPPING DRILLS AND ACCES- SORIES			Bevan and Edwards Pty. Ltd.— 1 delivered in ship's slings on trucks at Fremantle for 1 delivered in ship's slings on trucks at Port Augusta for Total amount of contract	Delivery— 1 to be delivered on pier, New York, for ship- ment within 4 weeks from 1st October, 1915 1 to be delivered on pier, New York, for ship- ment within 90 days from 1st October, 1915
2	HYDRAULIC WHEEL PRESSES	3.7.1915	1.10.1915		

Current Contracts—continued.

Quantity.	Item.	Date Advertised.	Date Accepted.	Particulars.	Remarks.
6	GYRATORY STONE CRUSHERS	..	2.10.1915	Jaques Bros.— For Kalgoorlie— 2 No. 6 crushers, delivered f.o.b. Mel- bourne, at £624 15s. each, less 5 per cent. 2 No. 4 crushers, delivered f.o.b. Mel- bourne, at £355 each, less 5 per cent. ... For Port Augusta— 2 No. 6 crushers, delivered f.o.b. Mel- bourne, at £624 15s. each, less 5 per cent. 2 No. 4 crushers, delivered f.o.b. Mel- bourne, at £355 each, less 5 per cent. ... Total amount of contract	Delivery— 1 No. 6 and 1 No. 4 crushers, to be delivered within 3 months from 2nd October, 1915; and thereafter 1 No. 6 and 1 No. 4, to be delivered each succeeding 2 months. £1,187 0 6 674 10 0 1,187 0 6 674 10 0 £3,723 1 0
100	PORTABLE TELE- PHONES	28.8.1915	4.10.1915	Western Electric Co. (Australia) Ltd.— Delivered ship's slings, Port Augusta— 40 portable telephones, at £4 5s. each 40 hickory contact rods, at £1 1s. each	Delivery— Half to be delivered within 21 weeks from 4th October, 1915; balance 1 month later £170 0 0 42 0 0
100	HICKORY CONTACT RODS			Delivered ship's slings, Fremantle— 60 portable telephones, at £4 5s. each 60 hickory contact rods, at £1 1s. each Total amount of contract	
220	SIDE - TIPPING TRUCKS	24.7.1915	5.10.1915	Knox, Schlapp, and Co.— Delivered ship's slings, Port Augusta— 200 trucks, at £12 4s. each 20 trucks, at £13 2s. each 25 trucks, at £13 18s. each 55 axle boxes, at 11s. each Total amount of contract	Delivery— 50 trucks per week, first shipment 1 month from 5th October, 1915 2,440 0 0 262 0 0 347 10 0 30 5 0 £3,079 15 0
25	END - TIPPING TRUCKS				
55	PLAIN AXLE BOXES				
308 tons 99,400	14-LB. RAILS DOGSPIKES above	4.9.1915	12.10.1915	R. W. Camcron and Co.— Delivered c.i.f., Port Augusta— 308 tons 14-lb. rails, including neces- sary fishbolts and nuts, at £10 10s. 6d. per ton 99,400 dogsplikes (approx. 6.7 tons), at £15 17s. 6d. per ton Total amount of contract	Delivery— Shipment to be effected October–November, 1915 £3,241 14 0 106 7 3 £3,348 1 3

Quantity.	Item.	Date Advertised.	Date Accepted.	Particulars.		Remarks.
3	OIL - DRIVEN WINCHES	3.7.1915	12.10.1915	A. T. Harman— 1 delivered ship's slings, Port Augusta, for 2 delivered ship's slings, Fremantle, at £438 each	438 0 0 876 0 0 £1,314 0 0	Delivery— Within 4 to 8 weeks from 12th October, 1915
95	SINGLE-SEATED TRICYCLES	7.8.1915	14.10.1915	Orton and Burns— Delivered ship's slings, Port Augusta— 38 tricycles, at £12 each Delivered ship's slings, Fremantle— 57 tricycles, at £12 each Total amount of contract	£456 0 0 684 0 0 £1,140 0 0	Delivery— 8 to each end within 10 weeks; then 8 to each end per month
37	DOUBLE-SEATED TRICYCLES	25.9.1915	6.11.1915	Orton and Burns— 7 delivered ship's slings, Port Augusta, at £13 each 30 delivered ship's slings, Fremantle, at £13 each Total amount of contract	£13 0 0 £1,140 0 0	Delivery, Port Augusta— 4 within 12 weeks from 6th November, 1915; balance by 6th December, 1915. Delivery, Fremantle— 4 within 12 weeks from 6th November, 1915; balance 6 per month.
83	IRONBARK PILES, 60-ft.	4.9.1915	20.10.1915	E. F. Broad Ltd.— 83 piles delivered in ship's slings on trucks at Port Augusta, at 4s. 7d. per lineal foot Total amount of contract	£481 0 0	First delivery within from 4 to 6 weeks, and final within 4 months from 20th October, 1915.
4,939 sup. ft. 9,500 lin. ft. 4,889 sup. ft.	RED PINE TIM- BER HOOP PINE TIM- BER REDWOOD TIM- BER	3.7.1915 " " " "	16.9.1915 " " " "	Walker and Morris Ltd.— Delivered in ship's slings on trucks at Port Augusta at schedule rates for Bunning Bros.— Delivered free on rails, Perth, Western Aus- tralia, at schedule rates for Miller's Timber and Trading Co. Ltd.— Jarrah delivered free on rails at Undi- jong, Western Australia, at schedule rates for Redwood delivered free on rails at Perth, Western Australia, at schedule rates for Total amount of contract	£129 1 11 £97 16 0 £375 4 2 35 1 3 £410 5 5	Delivery— Red pine within 4 weeks, and hoop pine within 12 weeks, from 16th September, 1915. Portion delivered. Delivery— Within 6 weeks from 16th September, 1915. Contract complete. Delivery— Within 4 weeks from 16th September, 1915 6,000 feet redwood delivered.
64,321 sup. ft. 6,000 lin. ft.	JARRAH TIMBER REDWOOD TIM- BER	" "	" "			

Current Contracts—continued.

Quantity.	Item.	Date Advertised.	Date Accepted.	Particulars.	Remarks.
18,180 sup. ft. 104,811 " 28,753 " 6,000 lin. ft.	OREGON TIMBER JARRAH TIMBER OREGON TIMBER RED PINE TIMBER	3.7.1915	16.9.1915	Lewis and Reid— For Kalgoorlie— 18,180 sup. ft. oregon delivered ship's slings on trucks, Fremantle, for .. Delivered in ship's slings, Port Augusta— 104,811 sup. ft. jarrah for .. 28,753 sup. ft. oregon for .. 6,000 lin. ft. red. pine for .. Total amount of contract ..	Delivery— Oregon and red pine within 2 weeks from 16th September, 1915, and jarrah within 8 weeks.
100,000 sup. ft. 50,000 " 15,000 "	CELERY TOP PINE TIMBER KING WILLIAM PINE TIMBER BLACKWOOD TIMBER	11.9.1915	28.10.1915	Pearsons Pty. Ltd.— Delivered ship's slings, Port Augusta— 100,000 sup. ft. celery top pine, at 23s. 3d. per 100 sup. ft. .. 50,000 sup. ft. King William pine, at 26s. 6d. per 100 sup. ft. .. 15,000 sup. ft. blackwood, at 21s. 3d. per 100 sup. ft. .. Total amount of contract ..	Complete delivery to be effected within 3 weeks from 28th October, 1915.
40	PULL-OVER LEVERS	24.7.1915	18.9.1915	Samuel Perry— 24 delivered ship's slings, Fremantle, at £4 17s. each .. 16 delivered ship's slings, Port Augusta, at £4 17s. each .. Total amount of contract ..	Delivery— Within 3 months from 18th September, 1915
..	FITTINGS above for	"	"	McKenzie and Holland Ltd.— Fittings for pull-over levers, delivered ship's slings, Fremantle and Port Augusta, at schedule rates .. Total amount of contract ..	Delivery— Within 20 weeks from 18th September, 1915.
2	115-Kw. POWER PLANTS	3.7.1915	20.9.1915	Gibson, Battle, and Co. Ltd.— 1 plant delivered ship's slings Port Augusta 1 plant delivered ship's slings Fremantle Total amount of contract ..	Delivery— Shipment to be effected in London within 20 weeks from 20th September, 1915.
3 sets	BALLS, BALL RACES, ETC., for 75-ft. Turntables	3.7.1915	2.8.1915	Gardner, Waern, and Co.— Delivered at Melbourne— 3 sets balls, ball races, &c., for 75-foot loco. turntables .. Total amount of contract ..	Delivery— Within 9 months from 2nd August, 1915

KALGOORLIE-PORT AUGUSTA
RAILWAY—continued.

Current Contracts—continued.

Quantity.	Item.	Date Advertised.	Date Accepted.	Particulars.	Remarks.
6 sets	PARTS FOR BAL- LAST PLOUGHS	26.6.1915	9.8.1915	Samuel Perry, Adelaide— 3 sets delivered at Fremantle, at £71 10s. set .. 214 10 0 3 sets delivered Port Augusta, at £70 set .. 210 0 0 Total amount of contract .. £424 10 0	Delivery— Within 10 weeks from 9th August, 1915
2	REVOLVING SCREENS	22.5.1915	31.7.1915	Jaques Bros., Richmond, Vic.— Delivered at Fremantle— 2 No. Revolving screens, at £137 10s. each .. £275 0 0 Total amount of contract .. £275 0 0	Delivery— Within 6 weeks from 31st July, 1915. Contract completed.
10	ROLLING-STOCK Locomotives, 4-6-0 Type	31.1.1914	13.3.1914	{ The Toowoomba Foundry Co. Ltd., Queensland— 5 erected at Kalgoorlie, at £6,128 5s. .. £30,641 5 0 5 erected at Port Augusta, at £6,088 5s. .. 30,441 5 0 2 sets of spares 2,123 0 0 £63,205 10 0	2 to be delivered and erected by 13th May, 1915, thereafter 2 each calendar month. Not yet delivered.
7	Composite Lavatory Carriages	4.4.1914	29.5.1914	Clyde Engineering Co. Ltd.— 5 delivered in running condition at Port Augusta, at £2,329 each £11,645 0 0 2 delivered in running condition at Kalgoorlie, at £2,593 5,186 £16,831 0 0	Complete delivery at Port Augusta by 29th June, 1915. 4 delivered at Port Augusta. Complete delivery at Kalgoorlie by 29th June, 1915. Terms of delivery varied :—Now—4 at Port Augusta, 3 at Kalgoorlie Cars nearly completed at each end.
8	Brake Van Under- frames	5.12.1914	27.1.1915	State Implement and Engineering Works, W.A.— 8 delivered at Port Augusta at £260 each .. £2,080	Delivery to be completed by 21st April, 1915, None delivered, but 6 ready.
65	Steel Hopper Ballast Wagons	10.10.1914	27.1.1915	Gray Bros.— 65 at £189 each, delivered at Port Augusta .. £12,285	1 Wagon to be delivered by 8th April, 1915, thereafter 35 monthly. 61 delivered.
60	"	"	"	Westralia Iron Works Ltd., W.A.— 60 at £186 16s., delivered on rails, Fremantle .. £11,208	5 Wagons to be delivered by 1st July, 1915, then 15 monthly. None yet delivered
40	45-ft. Rail Wagons	16.1.1915	11.3.1915	State Implement and Engineering Works, W.A.— 40 at £355 each £14,200 0 0 (15 for Fremantle and 25 for Port Augusta.)	Delivery— 1 to be delivered at each end within 14 weeks from 11th March, 1915, and thereafter at rate of 10 per calendar month till completion of contract, at Fremantle and Port Augusta respectively. None yet delivered.

Current Contracts—continued.

Quantity.	Item.	Date Advertised.	Date Accepted.	Particulars.		Remarks.
8	LOCOMOTIVES ..	..	11.3.1915	North British Locomotive Co. Ltd.— 4 delivered c.i.f. Fremantle, at .. each £6,390 0 0 4 delivered c.i.f. Adelaide, at .. " 6,340 0 0 Total amount £50,920 0 0		Quotations obtained in England. Delivery— Shipment to be effected within 20 weeks from 11th March, 1915. Deliveries affected by war.
20	10 - wheeled Loco- motives and Bogie- Tenders (T.F. Class)	6.3.1915	22.4.1915	Walkers Limited, Queensland— 10 erected at Kalgoorlie, at £8,265 .. 10 erected at Port Augusta, at £7,698 ..	£82,650 0 0 76,980 0 0	Delivery— The first 5 at Port Augusta, within 14 months; 2nd 5 at Kalgoorlie within 16 months; 3rd 5 at Port Augusta within 18 months; 4th 5 at Kalgoorlie within 21 months—from 22nd April, 1915.
6	" "	"	"	Samuel Perry, Adelaide— 6 erected at Port Augusta, at £7,698 ..	£46,188 0 0	Delivery— 1 within 16 months from 22nd April, 1915, thereafter 1 every 6 weeks.
30	4,000-gallon Water- tank Wagons	20.3.1915	29.4.1915	Collins Bros., Maylands, W.A.— 30 4,000-gallon water-tank wagons, de- livered on trucks, Maylands, W.A., at £237 15s. 6d. each	£7,133 5 0	Delivery— 3 within 20 weeks from 29th April, 1915, thereafter 1 per week. Contract cancelled.
30	" "	"	5.5.1915	Samuel Perry, Adelaide— 30 4,000-gallon water-tank wagons de- livered at Port Augusta Railway Station, at £263 15s. 3d. each ..		Delivery— 1 within 24 weeks from 5th May, 1915, and thereafter 10 per month.
30	" "	"	11.8.1915	Westralia Ironworks Ltd.— 30 4,000-gallon water-tank wagons, de- livered on trucks, Rocky Bay, West Australia, at £298 each	£7,912 17 6 £8,940 0 0	Delivery— 3 within 7½ months from 11th August, 1915, and thereafter 7 per month
See Particulars Column	Boring for Water ..	26.4.1913 { Offer "	18.6.1913 12.7.1913 14.8.1913	Davis, Hankinson and Co.—Western Australian section, 4,000 ft. (max.), at 56s. 9d. per ft., £11,350, approx. Johnston Bros. Ltd., South Australian section, 4,000 ft. (max.), 50s. per ft., £10,000, approx. Johnston Bros. Ltd.—Eastward from Ooldea Well, 1,200 ft. (min.), at 35s. to 60s. per ft., £5,000, estimated W. Morris— Excavation of tank, 29,667 cub. yds. (approx.), at 3s. 6d. Excavation of catch pits, 440 cub. yds. (approx.), at 3s. 6d.		Work in hand. Work in hand.
..	Excavation of Reservoir at Car- donia, W.A.	..	..		£ s. d. 5,193 9 6 77 0 0 £5,270 0 0	In progress.

PURCHASE OF PLANT, MATERIAL, ETC. (EXCLUSIVE OF THAT SUPPLIED UNDER CONTRACT), COSTING OVER £50 SINCE 4th AUGUST, 1915.

Quantity.	Particulars.	From whom Purchased.	Cost.		
			£	s.	d.
1	Electric headlight ..	R. W. Cameron and Co., Melbourne	64	0	0
48	Track jacks ..	Trewhella Bros., Trentham ..	140	8	0
1 set	Wheels and axles ..	Newell and Co., Melbourne ..	389	11	8
1 set	Wheels and axles ..	Newell and Co., Melbourne ..	389	11	8
2	Iron safes ..	Dykes and Sons, Melbourne ..	71	10	0
1	Blue Printing Machine ..	W. Watson, Melbourne ..	104	0	0
63,360 ft.	Galvanised tubing ..	Stewarts and Lloyds, Glasgow ..	3,727	12	6
1 pair	Wheels and axles ..	N.S.W. Railways ..	60	18	11
11 tons	Fire bar iron ..	Lion Rolling Mills, Melbourne ..	134	3	2
324	Hammers and Picks ..	McPherson's Pty. Ltd., Melbourne	97	2	0
2,123 tons	Coal	J. and A. Brown, Melbourne ..	1,167	13	0
10 gross	Augers	McPherson's Pty. Ltd., Melbourne	165	10	0
..	Signal fittings ..	McKenzie and Holland, Ltd., Melbourne	108	17	7
..	Signal fittings ..	McKenzie and Holland Ltd., Melbourne	154	12	5
12	Lux lamps and mantles ..	Lux Light Co., Melbourne ..	203	8	0
5 tons	Aluminoferrie ..	W. Adams and Co. Ltd., Melbourne	55	9	10
200	Draft plates ..	C. Ruwolt and Co., Melbourne ..	101	13	4
50	Axle box brasses ..	Ross Robbins and Co., Melbourne	68	15	0
8	Staff locks ..	McKenzie and Holland Ltd., Melbourne	60	0	0
1	Hydraulic press ..	R. W. Cameron and Co., Melbourne	77	8	0
1	Hydraulic press ..	R. W. Cameron and Co., Melbourne	77	8	0
1,000	Axle box pads ..	J. G. Black, Melbourne ..	233	6	8
600	Axle box pads ..	J. G. Black, Melbourne ..	140	16	8
36	Jim crows ..	Gray Bros., Melbourne ..	226	16	0
..	W.H. break gear ..	Westinghouse Brake Co., Melbourne	88	12	0
24	Tents and flies ..	Evan Evans, Melbourne ..	56	2	0
4	Plows	Carolin Machinery Co., Melbourne	80	0	0
10 cwt.	Copper rod ..	S.A. Supply and Tender Board ..	70	0	0
100	Hand signal lamps ..	E. A. Harper and Sons, Sydney..	75	0	0
150	Hand signal lamps ..	E. A. Harper and Sons, Sydney..	112	10	0
12 sets	Boilermaker's taps ..	Forster Engineering Works, Brisbane	213	9	6
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30 tons	Fishbolts	R. W. Cameron and Co., Melbourne	626	5	0
58 tons	Fishbolts	R. W. Cameron and Co., Melbourne	1,210	15	0
70 tons	Fishbolts, steel ..	G. and C. Hoskins Ltd., Lithgow	990	10	0
51½ tons	Fishbolts, nut steel ..	G. and C. Hoskins Ltd., Lithgow	728	14	6
800 gal.	Bearing Oil ..	Vacuum Oil Co., Melbourne ..	67	0	0

DARWIN—PINE CREEK RAILWAY.

PURCHASE OF PLANT, MATERIAL, ETC. (EXCLUSIVE OF THAT SUPPLIED UNDER CONTRACT), COSTING OVER £50, SINCE 4th AUGUST, 1915.

Quantity.	Description.	From whom Purchased.	Cost.
			£ s. d.
1	Locomotive	Queensland Railways	1,658 0 0
1	Locomotive	Queensland Railways	1,768 0 0
1	Locomotive	Queensland Railways	1,748 0 0
12	Hand pump cars	Drury and Co., Melbourne	180 0 0
8 sets	Points and crossings	McKenzie and Holland Ltd., Brisbane	181 16 0
8 sets	Spring draft gear	Barbat and Sons Ltd., Ipswich, Queensland	124 0 0
..	Powder, &c.	Stores Supply Department, Sydney	248 3 8

CURRENT CONTRACTS.—PINE CREEK-KATHERINE RIVER RAILWAY.

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PINE CREEK-KATHERINE RIVER RAILWAY.

Quantity.	Item.	Date Advised.	Date Accepted.	Particulars.	Remarks.
2	Cast Iron Tanks ..	5.12.1914	16.2.1915	W. Anderson and Sons— 2 cast iron tanks, delivered at Darwin, N.T., schedule rates	Delivery— 2 by 16th April, 1915, then 2 each succeeding month. None yet delivered. For balance of Contract see Kalgoorlie-Port Augusta Railway.
2	Cast Iron Tank- stands	31.12.1914	22.2.1915	J. S. Bagshaw and Sons Ltd.— 2 cast iron tank-stands, delivered at Dar- win, N.T., schedule rates	Delivery— Complete delivery within 38 weeks. None delivered. For balance of Contract see Kalgoorlie-Port Augusta Railway.
2	Water Cranes ..	31.12.1914	22.2.1915	G. F. Sewell— 2 water cranes, delivered at Darwin, at £74 18s. 6d. each	Delivery— Within 4 months. 2 delivered. For balance of Contract see Kalgoorlie-Port Augusta Railway.
347 tons	DOGSPIKES ..	5.6.1915	7.7.1915	G. F. Sewell— Delivered at Darwin— 177 tons, at £19 7s. 6d. per ton ..	Delivery— As directed at the rate of 20 tons per week For balance of contract, see Kalgoorlie- Port Augusta. 49 tons delivered.
..	MILD STEEL GIR- DERS	10.4.1915	16.7.1915	Structural Engineering Co., Erskineville, Sydney— Delivered at Darwin— Mild steel girders, bracing, &c., for super- structure of bridge over Ferguson River £6,300 0 0	Delivery— First delivery within 16 weeks final within 42 weeks from 16th July, 1915, on board steamer at Sydney.
2,541 tons	COAL ..	..	30.7.1915	H. C. Sleight, Sydney, N.S.W.— Delivered at Darwin— 2,600 tons Hebburn-Abermaine coal, at 37s. 6d. per ton	Delivery— Shipment to be effected by s.s. <i>Nassau Maru</i> , leaving Newcastle on 15th August, 1915. Contract completed.
50	ROLLING-STOCK. Steel Hopper Bal- last Wagons	13.3.1915	22.4.1915	F. E. Barbat and Sons, Ipswich— 50 steel hopper ballast wagons, 3' 6" gauge, V.T.S. class, at £136 10s. each .. And spares, as specified	Delivery— 10 of the wagons to be delivered at Darwin in 8 weeks, 12 more in the next 6 weeks, 16 more in the next 6 weeks, and the full quantity within 26 weeks from April, 1915. 23 delivered.
20	Cattle Wagons ..	20.3.1915	27.4.1915	F. E. Barbat and Sons— 17 cattle wagons (without guard's com- partments), at £217 each 3 cattle wagons (with guard's com- partments), at £252 each	Delivery— First delivery of ten (10) within 8 weeks from 27th April, 1915, and final delivery in 20 weeks from same date. These wagons are for Darwin-Pine Creek Rail- way. 12 delivered.
250 pairs	Wheels and axles, 3' 6" gauge	..	5.6.1915	Strachan, Murray, and Shannon, Ltd.— 140 pairs at £18 per pair, f.o.b. Liverpool ..	Final delivery within 16 weeks from 5th June, 1915

PINE CREEK--KATHERINE RIVER RAILWAY.

PURCHASE OF PLANT, MATERIAL, ETC. (EXCLUSIVE OF THAT SUPPLIED UNDER CONTRACT), COSTING OVER £50 SINCE 4th AUGUST, 1915.

Quantity.	Particulars.	From whom Purchased.	Cost		
			£	s.	d.
24	Steel Joists No. 29 (Standard)	A. G. Kidston and Co., London ..	222	1	1
108,000	Spring washers	Federal Spring Works, Melbourne	270	0	0
3 sets	Crossing timbers	Queensland Railways	65	16	7
4,048 feet	Pine, Oregon, and Hardwood	Queensland Railways	77	5	4
1	Pile-driving plant	Bevan and Edwards	235	0	0
11,200 lbs.	Gunpowder	Defence Department, N.S.W. ..	291	4	0
20,000 1-ft.	Oregon	J. Wright and Sons, Melbourne ..	185	8	4
..	Anvils, barrows, &c.	McPherson's Pty. Ltd... ..	68	0	9
..	Hack saw blades, &c.	J. Danks and Son, Melbourne ..	62	3	0
50 tons	Chaff	Harvey Dann and Co., Geelong..	440	9	1
300 bush.	Oats	} H. S. K. Ward, Melbourne ..	58	10	0
3 tons	Bran				
33	Tarpaulins	Evan Evans	81	13	6
8	Chain blocks	J. O. Smith and Co., Melbourne..	128	8	0
..	Treble blocks, &c.	Bullivants Ltd., Sydney	95	16	0
..	Mild steel, &c.	Structural Engineering Co., Syd- ney	202	0	0
120 c/s.	Gelignite	Stores Supply Department, Sydney	270	0	0
4	Horses	M. F. Kennedy, Tennant Creek, Northern Territory	60	0	0
12	Horses	M. Ambrose, Powell's Creek, Northern Territory	190	0	0

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PUBLICATIONS.—The major part of the results of the work of the Bureau will be found in the undermentioned publications, issued regularly at the intervals, and about the dates shown against each, viz.:—

Annual—

- Official Year-Book of the Commonwealth* (June).
- Population and Vital Statistics* (August).
- Production* (March).
- Finance* (May).
- Transport and Communication* (March).
- Social* (May).
- Trade and Customs and Excise Revenue* (September).
- Shipping and Oversea Migration* (September).
- Trade Unionism, Unemployment, Wages, Prices, and Cost of Living, &c.* (April).
- The Australian Commonwealth: Its Resources and Production* (October).
(Prepared for Department of External Affairs).
- Pocket Compendium of Australian Statistics* (January).
- Quarterly.—Labour Bulletin* (6 weeks after close of quarter.)
- Monthly.—Monthly Summary of Australian Statistics* (30 days after close of month).
- Special Reports.—Inquiry into the Cost of Living in Australia, 1910–11* (December, 1911). *Expenditure on Living in the Commonwealth*, November, 1913 (August, 1914). *Railway Statistics—Desirability of Improvement*. *Social Insurance* (September, 1910). *Superannuation for the Commonwealth Public Service* (November, 1910). *Prices, Price Indexes, and Cost of Living in Australia* (December, 1912). *Trade Unionism, Unemployment, Wages, Prices, and Cost of Living in Australia, 1891–1912* (April, 1913). *Census Bulletins and Detailed Tables* (14 Parts), shewing main results of 1911 Census. *Classification of Diseases and Causes of Death* (December, 1910). *Manufacturing Industries of the Commonwealth, 1912* (June, 1914). *Australian Life Table, 1901–10* (October, 1914).
- Professional Papers.*—Various papers dealing with the technique of statistics (for list see page 3 of *Year-Book* No. 8).

The above publications are obtainable by purchase in the various State capitals as follows:—Sydney—McCarron, Stewart, and Co.; Melbourne—McCarron, Bird, and Co.; Brisbane—Gordon and Gotch Ltd.; Adelaide—E. S. Wigg and Son Ltd.; Perth—E. S. Wigg and Son. Ltd.; Hobart—J. Walch and Sons Ltd.; Launceston—A. W. Birchall and Sons.

LABOUR AND INDUSTRIAL BRANCH.—1. *General Functions and Scope.*—The scheme of work provides for systematic investigations into the following matters:—(a) *Trade Unionism.* (b) *Wages and Hours of Labour.* (c) *Changes in Rates of Wages and Hours of Labour.* (d) *Strikes and Lock-outs.* (e) *Employment and Unemployment.* (f) *Prices, Fluctuations in Exchange Value of Gold, and Cost and Standards of Living.* (g) *Arbitration Courts and Wages Boards.* (h) *Investigations in regard to Principal Industries in Commonwealth.* (i) *Miscellaneous, and Special Subjects of Investigation.*

2. *Publications and Miscellaneous.*—(a) *Prices and Exchange Values.*—Report No. 1 issued December, 1912. (b) *Number of Unions and Trade Unionists, Rates of Wages and Hours of Labour, Unemployment, and Nominal and Effective Wages.*—Report No. 2 issued April, 1913, and No. 5 issued December, 1914. (c) *Manufacturing Industries in the Commonwealth, 1912.*—Report No. 3 issued June, 1914. (d) *Expenditure on Living in the Commonwealth, November, 1913.*—Report No. 4 issued August, 1914. (e) *Quarterly Labour Bulletins.*—Issues for each quarter of the years 1913 and 1914 have been published. The *Bulletins* for the first and second quarters of 1915 have been published, and the *Bulletin* for the third quarter is now in course of preparation. (f) *Annual and Special Reports*—Comprehensive report issued each year.

3. *Prices, Price Indexes, and Cost of Living.*—See Reports Nos. 1, 2, and 5, and *Labour Bulletins*, Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10. Returns for the first and second quarters of 1915, and preliminary results for the third quarter are available. Special returns have been compiled each month showing variations in prices since the outbreak of war.

4. *Trade Unions, Rates of Wages, Hours of Labour, Industrial Disputes, and Unemployment.*—See Reports No. 2 and 5 and *Labour Bulletin*, No. 8. A comprehensive report on labour and industrial statistics for the year 1913 was issued in December, 1914, and a further report for 1914 is now in course of preparation.

5. *Agents and Correspondents.*—The following officers have been appointed Labour Agents and Correspondents of the Branch at the places specified:—

N.S.W.—W. L. Duncan Sydney
H. H. Lloyd .. Newcastle
W. F. Rowe .. Broken Hill
(Vacant) .. Lithgow
(Vacant) .. Illawarra
Vic.—C. J. Bennett Melbourne
E. H. A. Smith Ballarat
D. W. Lewis .. Bendigo
T. McHugh .. Geelong

Qld.—A. Skirving .. Brisbane
J. Dash .. Townsville
(Vacant) .. Bundaberg
(Vacant) .. Cairns
S.A.—T. B. Merry .. Adelaide
W.A.—A. McCallum .. Perth
R. E. Clifford .. Kalgoorlie
Tas.—W. T. Middle-
brough .. Hobart
J. R. Pala-
mountain .. Launceston

6. *Returns from Trade Unions.*—Returns as to unemployment are now being collected quarterly.

7. *Strikes and Lock-outs and Changes in Rates of Wages and Hours of Labour.*—Returns now being collected throughout the Commonwealth from trade unions, employers, and employers' associations.

8. *Special Inquiries.*—Special inquiries are being made regarding the following matters, viz.:—(a) Licences and permits granted to under-rate workers under Industrial Acts in each State. (b) Prosecutions against individuals and organizations for strikes and lock-outs. (c) Number and result of compulsory conferences under Arbitration Acts. (d) Analysis of wages showing variations before and after introduction of Wages Board and Arbitration Court systems. (e) Cost of Wages Boards, &c. (f) Operations of industrial tribunals during war time. (g) Preference to unionists. (h) Industrial agreements.

CENSUS.—Tabulations have been made for each sex separately in respect of Age; Race; Birthplace; Nationality; Length of Residence; Education; Conjugal Condition; Religion; Schooling; Blindness; Deaf Mutism; Relative Ages; Birthplaces, and Religions, of Husbands and Wives; Sizes of Families; Occupations; and Dwellings. The results have been published in abstract in a series of seventeen bulletins which have been issued from time to time as the work of tabulation proceeded.

The preparation and printing of the detailed tables have been completed and the results comprised in two volumes, aggregating 2,296 pages, have been issued. The Report containing extensive analyses and application of the Census data is now in the hands of the printer. A volume of monetary tables based on the Mortality Experience of the Commonwealth for the decennium 1901–1910 was prepared and issued, and a companion volume comprising the values of joint-life annuities is now in course of compilation.

All Census cards and other documents of a confidential nature have been destroyed by pulping under the supervision of officers of the Bureau. The total quantity of material so disposed of amounted to 27 tons.

WAR CENSUS.—The taking of the War Census is in progress. The paper for the requisite envelopes and cards was made to order by the Australian Paper Mills at their Geelong mills, the total quantity obtained being about 48 tons. The requisite envelopes to a total of 2,250,000 were made and printed by Messrs. Sands and McDougall, Melbourne, while the Personal Cards to a total of 3,500,000 were printed and cut by the Government Printer, Melbourne, and the Wealth and Income Cards, to a total of 5,000,000, by the Government Printer, Sydney. These envelopes and cards were despatched to all post offices throughout Australia, together with instructions to postmasters, instructions and suggestions for filling up the cards, and posters for exhibition in conspicuous places. Examinations for the selection of the compiling staff were conducted by the Commonwealth Statistician. At these about 1,000 candidates presented themselves, and about 70 per cent. succeeded in passing.

A staff of 550 clerks is at present employed in sorting and tabulating the cards. The work on the white personal cards relating to males between the ages of 18 and 60 is now nearing completion, and that on the pink wealth and income card is at an advanced stage. The personal cards have been sorted and tabulated according to health, age, conjugal condition, dependants and occupation, and complete summaries are now in course of compilation.

POPULATION AND VITAL.

I.—AREA AND POPULATION.

States and Territories.	Area, Square Miles.	Population (exclusive of Full-blooded Australian Aborigines).						
		Census—3rd April, 1911.				Estimated, 30th June, 1915.		
		Males.	Females.	Total.	Per 100 Sq. Miles.	Males.	Females.	Total.
States—								
New South Wales ..	309,460	857,698	789,036	1,646,734	532	960,923	907,737	1,868,660
Victoria ..	87,884	655,591	659,960	1,315,551	1,497	705,305	721,110	1,426,415
Queensland ..	670,500	329,506	276,307	605,813	90	370,132	319,546	689,678
South Australia ..	380,070	207,358	201,200	408,558	108	215,436	222,759	438,195
Western Australia ..	975,920	161,565	120,549	282,114	29	176,689	145,837	322,526
Tasmania ..	26,215	97,591	93,620	191,211	729	101,789	96,628	198,417
Territories—								
Northern Territory ..	523,620	2,734	576	3,310	0·6	3,677	771	4,448
Federal Capital Territory ..	912	992	722	1,714	190	1,672	1,066	2,738
Commonwealth ..	2,974,581	2,313,035	2,141,970	4,455,005	150	2,535,623	2,415,454	4,951,077

II.—ESTIMATED POPULATION, EXCLUSIVE OF FULL-BLOODED ABORIGINES, 1909–1914.

31st Dec.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens- land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Northern Territory.	Federal Capital Territory.	Common- wealth.
1909	1,613,899	1,277,022	577,845	392,897	265,675	193,119	3,503	..	4,323,960
1910	1,643,855	1,301,408	599,016	406,868	276,832	193,803	3,301	..	4,425,083
1911	1,696,475	1,339,102	622,129	418,172	294,181	193,479	3,248	(a) 1,921	4,568,707
1912	1,777,534	1,380,561	636,425	430,090	306,129	197,205	3,475	1,940	4,733,359
1913	1,831,716	1,412,119	660,158	440,047	320,684	201,675	3,672	1,988	4,872,059
1914	1,861,522	1,430,667	676,707	441,690	323,018	201,416	3,973	1,959	4,940,952

(a) Part of New South Wales prior to 1911.

III.—ESTIMATED INCREASE OF POPULATION, 1910–1914.

Year.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens- land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Northern Territory.	Federal Capital Territory.	Common- wealth.
1910 ..	29,956	24,386	21,171	13,971	11,157	684	(-) 202	..	101,123
1911 ..	52,620	37,694	23,113	11,304	17,349	(-) 324	(-) 53	1,921	143,624
1912 ..	81,059	41,459	14,296	11,918	11,948	3,726	227	19	164,652
1913 ..	54,182	31,558	23,733	9,957	14,555	4,470	197	48	138,700
1914 ..	29,806	18,548	16,549	1,643	2,334	(-) 259	301	(-) 29	68,893
Total, 1910–11	82,576	62,080	44,284	25,275	28,506	360	(-) 255	1,921	244,747
Total, 1913–14	83,988	50,106	40,282	11,600	16,889	4,211	493	19	207,593

Rate per 1,000 of Population for Two Years.

1910–11 ..	51·17	48·62	76·63	64·32	107·31	1·86	(-) 72·79	..	56·59
1913–14 ..	47·25	36·29	63·29	26·97	55·17	21·35	143·31	9·79	43·86

IV.—ESTIMATED OVERSEA MIGRATION—COMMONWEALTH, 1908–1914.

Year.	Arrivals.			Corrected Departures.			Excess Arrivals.
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	
1908	48,677	23,531	72,208	45,390	21,381	66,771	5,437
1909	57,487	26,122	83,609	42,221	19,605	61,826	21,783
1910	65,745	29,947	95,692	45,704	20,076	65,780	29,912
1911	96,964	44,945	141,909	50,269	22,340	72,609	69,300
1912	110,387	56,571	166,958	59,076	24,141	83,217	83,741
1913	90,680	51,226	141,906	60,693	26,438	87,131	54,775
1914	74,277	36,809	111,086	100,145	28,311	128,456	(-) 17,370
Numerical increase, 1908–11	47,287	21,414	69,701	4,879	959	5,838	63,863
Numerical increase, 1911–14	(-) 22,687	(-) 8,136	(-) 30,823	49,876	5,971	55,847	(-) 86,670
Increase, per cent., 1908–11	97·14	91·00	96·53	10·75	4·49	8·74	..
Increase, per cent., 1911–14	(-) 23·40	(-) 18·10	(-) 21·72	99·22	26·73	76·91	..

NOTE.—(–) signifies excess of departures over arrivals.

V.—BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE COMMONWEALTH DURING THE YEARS 1908 TO 1914.

Year.	Births.		Deaths.		Marriages.	
	Number.	Rate per 1,000 of Mean Population.	Number.	Rate per 1,000 of Mean Population.	Number.	Rate per 1,000 of Mean Population.
1908	111,545	26·59	46,426	11·07	32,551	7·76
1909	114,071	26·69	44,172	10·33	33,775	7·90
1910	116,801	26·73	45·590	10·43	36,592	8·37
1911	122,193	27·21	47,869	10·66	39,482	8·79
1912	133,088	28·65	52,177	11·23	42,147	9·07
1913	135,714	28·25	51·789	10·78	41,594	8·66
1914	137,983	28·05	51,720	10·51	43,311	8·80
Numerical increase, 1908–11 ..	10,658	0·62	1,443	(-) 0·41	6,931	1·03
Numerical increase, 1911–14 ..	15,790	0·84	3,851	(-) 0·15	3,829	0·01
Increase, per cent., 1908–11 ..	9·55	2·33	3·11	(-) 0·04	21·29	13·27
Increase, per cent., 1911–14 ..	12·92	3·09	8·04	(-) 1·41	9·70	0·11

VI.—EXCESS OF BIRTHS, OVER DEATHS DURING 1909 TO 1914.

States and Territories.			1909.	1910.	1911.	1912.	1913.	1914.
States—								
New South Wales .. ..	..	..	27,972	29,286	30,391	32,999	32,487	34,921
Victoria .. ..	..	..	17,108	16,705	17,810	19,207	20,496	19,719
Queensland .. ..	..	..	10,022	10,425	10,440	11,817	12,948	13,151
South Australia .. ..	..	..	6,241	6,484	7,019	7,743	7,934	8,191
Western Australia .. ..	..	..	4,898	4,845	5,168	5,354	6,284	6,161
Tasmania .. ..	..	..	3,658	3,466	3,510	3,796	3,755	4,099
Territories—								
Northern Territory .. ..	..	..	*	*	(-) 34	(-) 34	(-) 12	(-) 23
Federal Capital Territory ..	..	..	†	†	20	29	33	44
Commonwealth .. ..	..	..	69,899	71,211	74,324	80,911	83,925	86,263

* Included with South Australia. † Included with New South Wales.
NOTE.—(–) Signifies excess of deaths over births.

VII.—EXCESS OF BIRTHS OVER DEATHS PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION DURING THE YEARS 1909 TO 1914.

States and Territories.			1909.	1910.	1911.	1912.	1913.	1914.
States—								
New South Wales	..	..	17·50	17·93	18·38	19·00	17·97	18·85
Victoria	..	..	13·57	13·03	13·49	14·16	14·71	13·85
Queensland	..	..	17·58	17·62	16·99	18·71	19·84	19·48
South Australia	..	..	16·17	16·41	17·07	18·36	18·30	18·62
Western Australia	..	..	18·60	17·88	18·02	17·76	20·01	19·05
Tasmania	..	..	19·23	18·15	18·44	19·80	19·16	20·66
Territories—								
Northern Territory	..	..	*	*	(-)10·24	(-)10·12	(-)3·28	(-)6·13
Federal Capital Territory	..	..	†	†	11·24	14·24	13·47	16·63
Commonwealth	..	..	16·35	16·29	16·55	17·42	17·47	17·54

* Included with South Australia. † Included with New South Wales.
NOTE.—(—) Signifies excess of deaths over births.

VIII.—BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES IN THE UNITED KINGDOM DURING THE YEARS 1910 TO 1913.

Year.	Births.		Deaths.		Excess of Births over Deaths.		Marriages.	
	Number.	Rate per 1,000 of Mean Population.	Number.	Rate per 1,000 of Mean Population.	Number.	Rate per 1,000 of Mean Population.	Number.	Rate per 1,000 of Mean Population.
1910	1,122,984	25·00	630,409	14·03	492,575	10·97	320,735	7·14
1911	1,104,746	24·39	672,016	14·84	432,730	9·55	330,227	7·29
1912	1,096,562	24·01	631,466	13·83	465,096	10·18	339,633	7·44
1913	1,102,533	23·95	652,742	14·18	449,791	9·77	342,538	7·44

For the principal European Countries taken together, the average birth rate per 1,000 of population is 32·54, the average death rate 20·21 ; the natural increase 12·33 ; and the average marriage rate 7·74.

IX.—COMPARISON OF AREA AND POPULATION OF COMMONWEALTH WITH UNITED KINGDOM.

Country.	Area.		Population.			
	Square Miles.	Commonwealth in Comparison with—	Census, 1911.	Commonwealth in Comparison with—	Density,*	Masculinity.†
England	51,192	58·11	34,187,452	0·130	667·8	— 3·54
Wales	7,434	400·13	2,031,955	2·192	273·3	— 1·17
England and Wales	58,626	50·65	36,219,407	0·123	617·8	— 3·28
Scotland	30,405	97·83	4,760,904	0·936	156·6	— 3·01
Ireland	32,360	91·92	4,390,219	1·015	135·7	— 0·14
United Kingdom	121,391	24·50	45,370,530	0·098	373·8	— 2·95
Commonwealth	2,974,581	1·00	4,455,005	1·000	1·5	— 3·84

* Number of persons per square mile.

† Excess of males over females per 100 of total population.

(—) Denotes excess of females over males per 100 of total population.

X.—ESTIMATED AREA AND POPULATION OF THE VARIOUS DIVISIONS OF THE GLOBE.

Divisions.					Area in Square Miles.	Estimated Population.	Density of Population Number per Square Mile.
Europe	..	..	..	..	3,853,393	460,686,310	119·56
Asia	..	..	..	..	16,769,843	861,571,364	51·38
Africa	..	..	..	..	12,350,160	131,228,127	10·63
North and Central America and West Indies	..	..	..	..	8,562,234	132,911,536	15·52
South America	..	..	..	..	7,556,371	54,691,867	7·24
Australasia and Polynesia	..	..	..	..	3,462,528	8,118,152	2·34
Total	..	..	..	..	52,554,529	1,649,207,356	31·38

In the following table are given the estimated populations of the principal Australian towns as at the date of the recent Census, 3rd April, 1911. In all cases the populations given for the towns include those of contiguous suburban areas, and comprise the area contained within a circle of 2, 5, or 10-mile radius of the principal post office.

The figures for Metropolitan towns are also inserted, but will be seen to differ slightly in some instances from those given in the table on page 111, the reason being that the figures given below relate to the population within a circle of 10-mile radius of the G.P.O., whilst, except in the case of Melbourne and Brisbane, this 10-mile circle does not exactly constitute the accepted Metropolitan area.

XI.—POPULATION OF THE PRINCIPAL TOWNS IN THE COMMONWEALTH, 3RD APRIL, 1911.

Town.	Radius.	State in which Situ- ated.	Approx. Popu- lation.	Town.	Radius.	State in which Situ- ated.	Approx. Popu- lation.
100,000 and up-wards—				10,000 and under			
Sydney ..	10	N.S.W.	632,624	20,000 — con- tinued—			
Melbourne ..	10	Vic.	588,971	Bathurst ..	10	N.S.W.	11,972
Adelaide ..	10	S.A.	189,982	Maryborough ..	10	Qld.	11,626
Brisbane ..	10	Qld.	139,480	Port Pirie ..	10	S.A.	11,307
Perth ..	10	W.A.	104,635	Bundaberg ..	5	Qld.	10,132
20,000 and under				5,000 and under			
100,000—				10,000—			
Newcastle ..	10	N.S.W.	62,406	Grafton ..	10	N.S.W.	9,527
Ballarat ..	10	Vic.	52,551	Warrnambool ..	5	Vic.	9,287
Bendigo ..	10	Vic.	43,623	Katoomba ..	10	N.S.W.	9,242
Hobart ..	10	Tas.	41,757	Cessnock ..	5	N.S.W.	9,000
Parramatta* ..	5	N.S.W.	34,558	Lismore ..	5	N.S.W.	8,912
Maitland West ..	10	N.S.W.	33,787	Lithgow ..	5	N.S.W.	8,851
Geelong ..	10	Vic.	33,518	Albury ..	5	N.S.W.	8,816
Broken Hill ..	10	N.S.W.	31,386			(V.)	
Kalgoorlie ..	10	W.A.	31,324	Orange ..	5	N.S.W.	8,800
Launceston ..	10	Tas.	25,227	Tamworth ..	5	N.S.W.	8,224
Rockhampton ..	10	Qld.	20,915	Maryborough ..	5	Vic.	7,967
Bulli ..	10	N.S.W.	20,873	Castlemaine ..	5	Vic.	7,865
10,000 and under				Liverpool ..	5	N.S.W.	7,529
20,000—				Wagga Wagga ..	5	N.S.W.	7,222
Toowoomba ..	5	Qld.	19,776	Wahroonga ..	2	N.S.W.	6,768
Ipswich ..	5	Qld.	18,574	Armidale ..	5	N.S.W.	6,704
Charters Towers ..	5	Qld.	17,298	Mt. Gambier ..	5	S.A.	6,670
Townsville ..	10	Qld.	13,835	Cairns ..	5	Qld.	6,524
Goulburn ..	10	N.S.W.	13,429	Cobar ..	5	N.S.W.	6,186
Kadina ..	10	S.A.	13,348	Hamilton ..	5	Vic.	6,015
Gympie ..	10	Qld.	12,419	Warwick ..	5	Qld.	5,987
Mount Morgan ..	10	Qld.	12,023	Mackay ..	5	Qld.	5,905

* Exclusive of a portion of the Parramatta 5-mile circle lying within the Sydney 10-mile circle.

XI.—POPULATION OF THE PRINCIPAL TOWNS IN THE COMMONWEALTH, 3RD APRIL, 1911—*continued.*

Town.	Radius.	State in which Situated.	Approx. Population.	Town.	Radius.	State in which Situated.	Approx. Population.
5,000 and under				3,000 and under			
10,000—contd.—				5,000—contd.—			
Inverell ..	5	N.S.W.	5,788	Northam ..	5	W.A.	4,064
Gawler ..	5	S.A.	5,767	Camperdown ..	5	Vic.	4,003
Colac ..	5	Vic.	5,678	Gosford ..	5	N.S.W.	3,965
Echuca ..	5	Vic.	5,554	Gunnedah ..	5	N.S.W.	3,959
Mildura ..	5	N.S.W.	5,547	Narrabri ..	5	N.S.W.	3,941
Ararat ..	5	Vic.	5,489	Bangalow ..	5	N.S.W.	3,905
Dubbo ..	5	N.S.W.	5,389	Corowa ..	5	N.S.W.	3,884
Wellington ..	5	N.S.W.	5,372	Horsham ..	5	Vic.	3,834
Queenstown ..	5	Tas.	5,292	Bowral ..	5	N.S.W.	3,809
Shepparton ..	5	Vic.	5,174	Parkes ..	5	N.S.W.	3,772
Singleton ..	5	N.S.W.	5,162	Albany ..	5	W.A.	3,747
3,000 and under				Burnie ..	5	Tas.	3,672
5,000—				Ulverstone ..	5	Tas.	3,603
Stawell ..	5	Vic.	4,910	Geraldton ..	5	W.A.	3,594
Cowra ..	5	N.S.W.	4,865	Kempsey West ..	5	N.S.W.	3,532
Forbes ..	5	N.S.W.	4,844	Angaston ..	5	S.A.	3,526
Beechworth ..	5	Vic.	4,842	Maldon ..	5	Vic.	3,433
Devonport ..	5	Tas.	4,755	Cootamundra ..	5	N.S.W.	3,393
Young ..	5	N.S.W.	4,755	Temora ..	5	N.S.W.	3,383
Mudgee ..	5	N.S.W.	4,732	Maclean ..	5	N.S.W.	3,328
Kyneton ..	5	Vic.	4,695	Benalla ..	5	Vic.	3,327
Bairnsdale ..	5	Vic.	4,669	Taree ..	5	N.S.W.	3,321
Sale ..	5	Vic.	4,543	Laidley ..	5	Qld.	3,239
Dandenong ..	5	Vic.	4,490	Nowra ..	5	N.S.W.	3,209
Casino ..	5	N.S.W.	4,374	Quirindi ..	5	N.S.W.	3,167
Bunbury ..	5	W.A.	4,372	Deniliquin ..	5	N.S.W.	3,151
Wangaratta ..	5	Vic.	4,345	Beaconsfield ..	5	Tas.	3,111
Murwillumbah ..	5	N.S.W.	4,335	Terang ..	5	Vic.	3,099
Zeehan ..	5	Qld.	4,149	Wyalong ..	5	N.S.W.	3,047
		Tas.		Murrumbarrh ..	5	N.S.W.	3,029
				June ..	5	N.S.W.	3,000

XII.—POPULATION OF METROPOLITAN AND OTHER CITIES IN VARIOUS COUNTRIES.

	City.	Year.	Population.
Australia ..	Sydney ..	1914	752,500
	Melbourne ..	1914	674,000
	Adelaide ..	1914	205,443
	Brisbane ..	1914	151,011
	Perth ..	1914	122,400
	Wellington ..	1915	74,811
	Hobart ..	1914	40,000
	London (Registration area) ..	1911	4,521,685
Europe ..	London (Greater) ..	1911	7,251,358
	Paris ..	1911	2,888,110
	Vienna ..	1914	2,149,800

XII.—POPULATION OF METROPOLITAN AND OTHER CITIES IN VARIOUS COUNTRIES—*continued.*

	City.				Year.	Population.
Europe— <i>continued.</i>	Petrograd	..	..	..	1913	2,073,800
	Berlin	..	..	..	1910	2,071,257
	Budapest	..	..	..	1910	880,371
	Brussels	..	..	..	1912	663,647
	Munich	..	..	..	1912	606,014
	Madrid	..	..	..	1910	599,807
	Rome	..	..	..	1914	576,435
	Copenhagen	..	..	..	1911	559,398
	Dresden	..	..	..	1913	551,697
	Lisbon	..	..	..	1911	435,359
	Dublin	..	..	..	1911	403,030
	Stockholm	..	..	..	1913	382,085
	Edinburgh	..	..	..	1911	320,318
	The Hague	..	..	..	1913	301,851
	Christiania	..	..	..	1910	241,834
	Athens	..	..	..	1907	167,479
	Berne	..	..	..	1913	94,700
Asia	Tokyo	..	..	..	1912	2,099,181
	Osaka	..	..	..	1912	1,266,590
	Calcutta (including Howrah)	..	..	..	1911	1,222,313
	Bombay	..	..	..	1911	979,445
	Pekin	..	..	..	1912	692,500
	Bangkok	..	..	..	1910	628,675
	Madras	..	..	..	1911	518,660
	Hyderabad	..	..	..	1911	500,623
Africa	Johannesburg	..	..	..	1911	(a) 119,953
America	New York	..	..	..	1914	5,323,539
	Chicago	..	..	..	1914	2,393,325
	Philadelphia	..	..	..	1914	1,657,810
	Buenos Aires	..	..	..	1915	1,584,106
	Rio de Janeiro	..	..	..	1911	1,128,637
	St. Louis	..	..	..	1914	734,667
	Boston	..	..	..	1914	733,802
	Cleveland	..	..	..	1914	639,431
	Baltimore	..	..	..	1914	579,590
	Pittsburg	..	..	..	1914	564,878
	Detroit	..	..	..	1914	537,650
	Montreal	..	..	..	1911	470,480
	Mexico	..	..	..	1910	471,066
	Toronto	..	..	..	1911	376,538

(a) White population only.

XIII.—ASSISTED IMMIGRATION.—The total number of immigrants to Australia from the earliest times up to the end of 1912, and during the years 1913 and 1914, the cost of whose introduction was wholly or partly borne by the State, is approximately as follows :—

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Qld.	S. Aust.	W.A.	Tas.	C'wlth.
To end of 1912 ..	252,637	164,815	203,204	99,225	31,594	21,699	773,174
No. in—							
1913	9,860	12,146	4,757	2,759	7,708	215	37,445
1914	6,655	7,518	4,096	644	1,729	185	20,827

AUSTRALIAN BANKING STATISTICS.

(For Commonwealth Bank see page 92.)

Item.	Year 1909, 30th June.	Year 1912, 30th June.	Year 1915, 30th June.	Increase, 1909-12.		Increase, 1912-15.	
				Amount.	Per cent.	Amount.	Per cent.
Ordinary Banks. Deposits ..	£ 117,758,255	149,806,597	174,979,336	32,048,342	27·22	25,172,739	16·80
Savings Banks. Deposits ..	£ 49,077,939	66,956,778	91,211,592	17,878,839	36·43	24,254,814	36·22
Total Deposits	£ 166,836,194	216,763,375	266,190,928	49,927,181	29·93	49,427,553	22·8
Ordinary Banks. Advances ..	£ 95,396,363	119,248,209	117,312,478	23,851,846	25·00	-1,935,731	-1·62
Net Banking Profits for preceding Calendar Year ..	£ 2,423,568	2,759,932	2,705,820	376,364	11·39	-54,112	-1·96
Average rate of Banking Profit per annum—							
(1) On Capital %	13·78	14·03	12·57	..	..	..	..
(2) On Capital and Reserves %	9·30	9·12	7·41	..	..	..	..

(-) Denotes decrease.

ORDINARY BANKS.

Item.	Quarter ended 30th June, 1909.	Quarter ended 30th June, 1912.	Quarter ended 30th June, 1915.	Increase, 1909-12.		Increase, 1912-15.	
				Amount.	Per cent.	Amount.	Per cent.
	£	£	£	£		£	
Total Deposits ..	117,758,255	149,806,597	174,979,336	32,048,342	27·22	25,172,739	16·80
Total Liabilities ..	122,545,543	152,218,589	179,743,163	29,673,046	24·21	27,524,574	18·08
Gold and Coin ..	26,297,843	28,686,012	34,903,123	2,388,169	9·08	6,217,111	21·67
Total Advances ..	95,396,363	119,248,209	117,312,478	23,851,846	25·00	-1,935,731	-1·62
Total Assets ..	131,717,700	165,771,256	194,312,046	34,053,556	25·85	28,540,790	17·22

(-) Denotes decrease.

SAVINGS BANKS.

	1909.	1912.	1915.	Increase.			
				Amount.	Per cent.	Amount.	Per cent.
Number of Depositors ..	1,398,456	1,736,000	2,272,113	337,544	24·14	536,113	30·30
Amount Deposited £	49,077,939	66,956,778	91,211,592	17,878,839	36·43	24,254,814	36·22
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	
Average per Depositor	35 4 1	38 11 4	40 3 2	3 7 3	9·54	1 11 10	4·13
Average per Inhabitant	11 11 11	14 8 4	18 8 5	2 16 5	24·29	4 0 1	24·16

STATE FINANCE.

CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUNDS OF STATES.

Revenue, 1913-14.

Sources of Revenue.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens- land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Taxation ..	2,330,005	1,598,876	887,798	730,640	386,104	371,413	6,304,836
Railways and Tramways	9,684,877	5,563,039	3,675,562	2,401,987	2,382,022	330,447	24,042,934
Land—Sales ..	990,477	160,690	973,343	162,545	249,182	67,983	3,910,570
Rental ..	838,410	146,172		136,770	149,222	35,776	
Commonwealth Subsidy	2,248,241	1,733,280	807,053	540,113	613,606	(a)337,536	6,279,829
All other Sources ..	2,206,615	1,523,904	629,503	850,711	1,425,207	94,931	6,730,871
Total Revenue ..	18,298,625	10,730,961	6,973,259	4,822,766	5,205,343	1,238,086	47,269,040
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
per head	9 19 10	7 11 11	10 11 3	10 19 2	16 4 8	6 2 9	9 14 1

(a) Includes special grant, £90,000.

STATE FINANCE.—CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUNDS OF STATES—continued.

Expenditure, 1913-14.

Heads of Expenditure.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Interest and Charges on Public Debt ..	3,908,853	2,502,050	1,972,826	1,260,892	1,384,096	497,252	11,525,969
Railways and Tramways (exclusive of Construction) ..	7,123,569	3,781,671	2,391,145	1,585,286	1,658,276	224,407	16,764,354
All other Expenditure ..	6,669,429	4,433,921	2,598,545	1,757,952	2,298,382	513,353	18,271,582
Total Expenditure ..	17,701,851	10,717,642	6,962,516	4,604,130	5,340,754	1,235,012	46,561,905
„ „ per head	£ s. d. 9 13 3	£ s. d. 7 11 9	£ s. d. 10 10 11	£ s. d. 10 9 3	£ s. d. 16 13 1	£ s. d. 6 2 6	£ s. d. 9 11 1

II.—LOANS EXPENDITURE DURING THE YEAR 1913-14.

Heads of Expenditure.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Railways and Tramways	5,714,964	2,361,660	1,679,482	1,489,168	1,227,711	146,055	12,619,040
Water Supply, Water Conservation, and Sewerage	1,942,497	229,127	1,654	484,670	331,320	..	2,989,268
Harbors, Rivers, and Lights ..	862,927	26,293	..	135,197	6,170	} 191,428	1,297,102
Roads and Bridges ..	23,703	18,424	3,833	17,838	11,239		
Land Purchased for Settlement ..	..	303,935	..	64,677	..	20,550	389,162
Public Buildings, including State Schools ..	338,782	84,786	68,818	60,337	57,944	50,504	661,171
All other purposes ..	243,971	252,769	436,363	510,799	1,248,735	89,604	2,782,241
Total ..	9,126,844	3,276,994	2,190,150	2,762,686	2,883,169	498,141	20,737,984
Loans Expenditure per head ..	£ s. d. 4 19 8	£ s. d. 2 6 5	£ s. d. 3 6 4	£ s. d. 6 5 6	£ s. d. 8 19 10	£ s. d. 2 9 5	£ s. d. 4 5 1

Aggregate Loans Expenditure to 30th June, 1914.

Railways and Tramways	£1,000 72,338	£1,000 47,343	£1,000 33,675	£1,000 17,518	£1,000 16,497	£1,000 4,816	£1,000 192,187
Telegraphs and Telephones ..	*1,762	..	997	992	332	142	4,225
Water Supply, Water Conservation, and Sewerage	19,435	11,134	365	7,389	4,289	..	42,612
Harbors, Rivers, and Lights ..	11,929	638	2,444	2,641	3,007	} 4,215	29,738
Roads and Bridges ..	1,863	195	928	1,483	395		
Public Buildings, including State Schools ..	6,468	1,996	1,614	1,247	850	1,052	13,227
Defence ..	1,457	149	363	292	..	128	2,389
Land Purchased for Settlement ..	789	4,693	..	1,830	..	177	7,489
All other purposes ..	1,302	4,438	7,969	4,121	5,276	1,632	24,738
Total ..	117,343	70,586	†48,355	37,513	30,646	12,162	316,605

* Including Post-offices.

† The Loan Fund of Queensland has been augmented by transfers from Revenue.

III.—PUBLIC DEBT.

Public Debts of the several States, 30th June, 1901, and 1906–1914.

Year ended 30th June.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1901	67,361,246	50,071,275	38,416,514	26,448,805	12,709,430	8,511,005	203,518,275
1906	85,641,734	53,079,800	41,764,467	30,032,635	18,058,553	9,800,631	238,427,820
1907	85,607,832	53,104,939	41,764,467	30,526,713	19,222,638	9,923,083	240,149,727
1908	87,635,826	53,305,487	42,264,467	29,985,858	20,493,618	10,150,233	243,835,489
1909	90,307,419	54,667,197	44,276,067	30,436,183	21,951,753	10,134,914	251,773,533
1910	92,525,095	55,576,725	44,276,067	31,387,870	23,287,453	10,570,453	257,623,663
1911	95,523,926	57,933,764	44,613,197	*34,224,653	23,703,953	11,077,790	267,127,283
1912	100,052,635	60,737,216	47,068,186	29,440,113	26,283,523	11,302,411	274,884,084
1913	106,170,747	62,776,724	53,604,733	30,147,833	30,276,436	11,495,963	294,472,486
1914	116,695,031	66,130,726	54,523,506	33,564,332	34,420,131	12,265,012	317,598,788
Increase since 1901 ..	49,333,785	16,059,451	16,106,992	7,115,527	21,710,751	3,754,007	114,080,513

* Decrease.

Public Debt per Head of Population of the Several States on 30th June, 1901, and 1906–1914.

30th June.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	All States.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1901	49·467	41·622	76·484	73·293	67·400	49·563	53·726
1906	56·933	43·779	77·731	82·003	70·770	53·535	58·739
1907	55·487	43·315	76·799	82·321	75·236	54·164	58·258
1908	55·794	43·066	76·010	78·550	79·343	54·532	58·185
1909	56·559	43·405	77·381	77·776	83·304	53·555	58·930
1910	56·619	43·464	74·365	78·697	85·878	55·691	58·988
1911	57·780	43·693	72·282	82·735	82·355	58·693	59·524
1912	57·589	44·850	74·240	69·924	86·920	59·480	59·250
1913	58·742	45·150	81·630	69·520	96·420	59·100	61·325
1914	62·839	46·506	80·320	76·595	106·251	62·340	64·520
Increase since 1901 ..	13·422	4·884	3·836	3·297	38·851	12·772	10·794

Accrued Public Debt Sinking Funds of the several States on 30th June, 1901, and 1906–1914.

30th June.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1901	336,383	208,284	..	32,879	429,227	169,546	1,226,319
1906	566,484	938,011	..	251,349	1,320,603	236,297	3,312,744
1907	432,737	832,988	..	531,466	1,600,044	261,431	3,708,666
1908	223,001	629,490	..	1,050,812	1,904,433	304,633	4,112,369
1909	405,648	727,021	..	1,426,318	2,233,385	357,419	4,149,783
1910	331,308	851,085	..	650,100	2,569,707	374,806	4,777,006
1911	504,921	1,017,866	..	616,956	2,888,035	414,601	5,442,379
1912	653,981	1,131,531	15,000	561,550	2,918,733	420,972	5,701,767
1913	381,893	1,226,667	51,347	299,567	3,309,345	496,031	5,764,850
1914	391,349	1,439,511	100,056	1,608,265	3,692,103	553,676	7,784,960
Increase since 1901 ..	4,966	1,231,227	100,056	1,575,386	3,262,876	384,130	6,558,641

PUBLIC DEBT—continued.

Annual Amount of Interest payable on State Debts as at—

30th June.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	All States.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1901	2,429,983	1,894,503	1,378,243	997,070	437,874	317,359	7,455,032
1906	3,052,857	1,921,187	1,529,382	1,130,361	619,752	359,515	8,613,054
1907	3,042,432	1,901,902	1,546,883	1,138,160	660,450	364,472	8,654,299
1908	3,097,176	1,899,417	1,546,880	1,112,321	704,860	371,992	8,732,646
1909	3,175,380	1,948,094	1,634,786	1,114,944	756,599	370,067	8,999,870
1910	3,250,129	1,980,100	1,634,786	1,147,359	803,301	386,234	9,201,909
1911	3,363,584	2,054,363	1,646,586	1,251,744	810,101	407,311	9,533,689
1912	3,531,528	2,151,559	1,731,141	1,064,663	910,110	412,536	9,801,537
1913	3,786,842	2,223,928	1,985,113	1,095,399	1,069,310	425,796	10,586,388
1914	4,205,771	2,354,744	2,026,805	1,234,482	1,235,539	457,504	11,514,845
Increase since 1901	1,775,788	460,241	648,562	237,412	797,665	140,145	4,059,813

Increase of Annual Amount of Interest payable on State Debts.

Financial year ending 30th June.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	All States.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1906-7	*10,425	*19,285	17,501	7,799	40,698	4,957	41,245
1907-8	54,744	*2,485	*3	*25,839	44,410	7,520	78,347
1908-9	78,204	48,677	87,906	2,623	51,739	*1,925	267,224
1909-10	74,749	32,006	..	32,415	46,702	16,167	202,039
1910-11	113,455	74,263	11,800	104,385	6,800	21,077	331,780
1911-12	167,944	97,247	28,103	*182,847	97,923	5,225	213,595
1912-13	255,314	72,369	253,972	30,736	159,200	13,260	784,851
1913-14	418,929	130,816	41,692	139,083	166,229	31,708	928,457

For changes in Rates of Interest see below.

* Decrease.

Percentage of Increase in Annual Amount of Interest on Public Debts.

Financial year ending 30th June.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	All States.
1906-7	* 0.34	* 1.00	1.14	0.69	6.57	1.38	0.48
1907-8	1.80	* 0.13	0.00	* 2.27	6.72	2.06	0.91
1908-9	2.53	2.56	5.68	0.24	7.34	* 0.52	3.06
1909-10	2.35	1.64	0.00	2.91	6.17	4.37	2.24
1910-11	3.49	3.75	0.72	9.10	0.85	5.46	3.61
1911-12	4.99	4.73	1.71	* 14.61	12.09	1.28	2.24
1912-13	7.23	3.37	14.67	2.90	17.49	3.22	8.01
1913-14	11.06	5.88	2.11	12.70	15.55	7.45	8.77

* Decrease.

Average Rates of Interest payable on State Debts as at—

30th June.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	All States.
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
1901	3.608	3.749	3.735	3.770	3.445	3.729	3.682
1906	3.565	3.619	3.706	3.758	3.432	3.668	3.620
1907	3.554	3.581	3.704	3.735	3.436	3.673	3.605
1908	3.534	3.563	3.704	3.710	3.439	3.665	3.589
1909	3.517	3.564	3.692	3.663	3.447	3.651	3.575
1910	3.513	3.563	3.692	3.655	3.450	3.654	3.572
1911	3.522	3.543	3.691	3.657	3.418	3.677	3.569
1912	3.529	3.543	3.675	3.616	3.463	3.650	3.567
1913	3.567	3.542	3.703	3.633	3.532	3.704	3.595
1914	3.604	3.561	3.716	3.677	3.590	3.730	3.626
Decrease since 1901	.004	.188	.019	.093	+ .145	+ .001	.056

NOTE.—+ Signifies increase.

MUNICIPAL LOANS CURRENT AT END OF YEAR 1913.

						£
New South Wales	..	..	..	..	..	7,125,547
Victoria	..	..	..	..	..	5,259,138
Queensland	..	..	..	..	..	1,447,950
South Australia	..	..	..	..	..	243,576
Western Australia	..	..	..	..	..	1,477,782
Tasmania	..	..	..	..	..	1,468,730
Total	..	..	..	..	..	17,022,723

TOTAL VALUE AND VALUE PER HEAD OF POPULATION OF THE EXTERNAL TRADE OF THE COMMONWEALTH, 1901-1914-15.

Year.	Value.					Value per Head.									
	Total Trade.	Imports.	Exports.			Total Trade.	Imports.	Exports.			Total.				
			Australian Produce.	Other Produce.	Total.			Aust. Produce.	Other Produce.	Total.					
	£	£	£	£	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1901	92,130,183	42,434,011*	47,741,776	1,954,396	49,696,172	24 6 1	11 3 11	12 11 10	0 10 4	13 2 2					
1902	84,591,037	40,675,950*	41,268,781	2,646,306	43,915,087	21 19 7	10 11 4	10 14 6	0 13 9	11 8 3					
1903	86,061,583	37,811,471*	45,658,883	2,591,229	48,250,112	22 2 1	9 14 3	11 14 7	0 13 3	12 7 10					
1904	94,506,757	37,020,842	55,100,167	2,385,748	57,485,915	23 19 4	9 7 9	13 19 6	0 12 1	14 11 7					
1905	95,187,766	38,346,731	54,127,758	2,713,277	56,841,035	23 15 10	9 11 9	13 10 7	0 13 6	14 4 1					
1906	114,482,675	44,744,912	66,299,874	3,437,889	69,737,763†	28 3 10	11 0 4	16 6 7	0 16 11	17 3 6					
1907	124,633,280	51,809,033	69,816,500	3,007,747	72,824,247†	30 4 5	12 11 3	16 18 7	0 14 7	17 13 2					
1908	114,110,331	49,799,273	62,118,903	2,192,155	64,311,058†	27 4 1	11 17 5	14 16 2	0 10 6	15 6 8					
1909	116,490,732	51,171,896	62,843,711	2,475,125	65,318,836†	27 5 0	11 19 5	14 14 0	0 11 7	15 5 7					
1910	134,505,501	60,014,351	71,836,195	2,654,955	74,491,150†	30 15 6	13 14 8	16 8 9	0 12 1	17 0 10					
1911	146,449,746	66,967,488	76,205,210	3,277,048	79,482,258†	32 12 4	14 18 3	16 19 6	0 14 7	17 14 1					
1912	157,254,690	78,153,600	75,961,563	3,134,527	79,096,090†	33 17 2	16 16 7	16 7 1	0 13 6	17 0 7					
1913	158,321,422	79,749,653	75,138,147	3,433,622	78,571,769†	32 19 2	16 12 0	15 12 10	0 14 4	16 7 2					
1914§	77,707,584	39,777,497	36,265,764	1,664,323	37,930,087†	15 13 9	8 0 7	7 6 5	0 6 9	7 13 2					
1914-15‡	124,981,049	64,380,747	58,273,110	2,327,192	60,600,302†	25 5 11	13 0 7	11 15 11	0 9 5	12 5 4					

* Owing to the failure to record as Oversea Imports goods received in one State of the Commonwealth for transshipment to another State thereof, it has been estimated that the value of Imports given in this table is understated by the following amounts:—1901, £2,121,500; 1902, £1,546,924; 1903, £1,024,211. † Does not include the value of Stores shipped in Australian Ports on board overseas ships. The value of Ships' Stores was in 1906, £875,966; 1907, £998,897; 1908, £1,196,106; 1909, £1,071,677; 1910, £1,080,133; 1911, £1,238,446; in 1912, £1,431,985; in 1913, £1,458,702; in the first six months of 1914, £771,581; and in 1914-15, £1,587,757. ‡ Preliminary figures; subject to revision. § First six months only.

Year.	Imports.			Exports.			Excess of Exports.		
	Merchandise.	Specie and Bullion.	Total.	Merchandise.	Specie and Bullion.	Total.	Merchandise.	Specie and Bullion.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1901	41,499,147	934,864	42,434,011	34,425,953	15,270,219	49,696,172	7,073,194	14,335,355	7,262,161
1902	39,216,771	1,459,179	40,675,950	28,547,594	15,367,493	43,915,087	10,669,177	13,908,314	3,239,137
1903	36,551,542	1,259,929	37,811,471	29,126,154	19,123,958	48,250,112	7,425,388	17,864,029	10,438,641
1904	35,816,994	1,203,848	37,020,842	39,718,846	17,767,069	57,485,915	3,901,852	16,563,221	20,465,073
1905	36,796,436	1,550,295	38,346,731	45,045,521	11,795,514	56,841,035	8,249,085	10,245,219	18,494,304
1906	42,413,995	2,330,917	44,744,912	52,027,830	17,709,933	69,737,763	9,613,835	15,379,016	24,992,851
1907	49,974,833	1,834,200	51,809,033	61,636,787	11,187,460	72,824,247	11,661,954	9,353,260	21,015,214
1908	48,608,921	1,190,352	49,799,273	50,120,838	14,190,220	64,311,058	1,511,917	12,999,868	14,511,785
1909	50,115,521	1,056,375	51,171,896	56,638,552	8,680,284	65,318,836	6,523,031	7,623,909	14,146,940
1910	58,682,391	1,331,960	60,014,351	69,855,873	4,635,277	74,491,150	11,173,482	3,303,317	14,476,799
1911	64,997,907	1,969,581	66,967,488	67,435,172	12,047,086	79,482,258	2,437,265	10,077,505	12,514,770
1912	76,483,360	1,675,240	78,158,600	66,634,490	12,461,600	79,096,090	9,848,870	10,786,360	937,490
1913	78,196,109	1,553,544	79,749,653	74,773,034	3,798,735	78,571,769	3,423,075	2,245,191	1,177,884
1914†	38,911,464	866,033	39,777,497	36,317,810	1,612,277	37,930,087	2,593,654	746,244	1,847,410
1914-15*	63,512,691	868,056	64,380,747	57,692,636	2,907,666	60,600,302	5,820,055	2,030,610	3,780,445

* Preliminary figures; subject to revision.

† First six months only.

ANNUAL INCREASE—ACTUAL AND PER CENT.—IN THE VALUE OF IMPORTS,
EXPORTS, AND TOTAL EXTERNAL TRADE, 1906-14.

	Increase in Total Trade.		Increase in Imports.		Increase in Exports.	
	Amount.	Per cent.	Amount.	Per cent.	Amount.	Per cent.
	£		£		£	
1906-7 ..	10,150,605	8·86	7,064,121	15·79	3,086,484	4·43
1907-8 ..	-10,522,949	-8·44	-2,009,760	-3·88	-8,513,189	-11·69
1908-9 ..	2,380,401	2·09	1,372,623	2·76	1,007,778	1·57
1909-10 ..	18,014,769	15·46	8,842,455	17·28	9,172,314	14·04
1910-11 ..	11,944,245	8·88	6,953,137	11·59	4,991,108	6·70
1911-12 ..	10,478,503	7·15	11,130,122	16·58	-651,619	-0·82
1912-13 ..	1,066,732	0·68	1,591,053	2·04	-524,321	-0·66
1913-14 ..	-17,015,170	-10·75	-5,803,989	-7·28	-11,211,181	-14·28

NOTE.—(—) Signifies decrease.

AUSTRALIAN PRODUCTION.

I.—PRINCIPAL AGRICULTURAL, PASTORAL, AND DAIRY PRODUCE OF AUSTRALIAN
ORIGIN EXPORTED FROM THE COMMONWEALTH, 1908-1914.

Year.	Butter.	Flour.	Wheat.	Wool.		Mutton and Lamb.	Hides and Skins of all Kinds.
				Greasy.	Scoured.		

QUANTITY.

		lbs.	Tons.*	Bushels.†	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	
1908 ..	..	51,193,311	116,803	15,027,388	471,832,275	70,915,494	91,607,614	..
1909 ..	..	55,644,925	129,969	31,549,498	529,020,213	76,082,419	116,915,639	..
1910 ..	..	87,894,943	139,946	44,761,895	587,090,469	78,178,300	190,229,330	..
1911 ..	..	101,722,136	175,891	55,147,840	578,823,623	71,770,640	129,569,295	..
1912 ..	..	66,679,120	163,094	32,604,247	557,798,811	62,885,655	115,371,981	..
1913 ..	..	75,802,303	221,658	42,922,887	531,573,903	64,450,086	204,931,783	..
1914 ..	..	56,162,547	174,217	52,878,122	357,637,875	56,647,669	175,403,211	..
Numerical	In-							
crease—								
1908-11 ..	..	50,528,825	59,088	40,120,452	106,991,348	855,146	37,961,681	..
1911-14 ..	..	-45,559,589	-1,674	-2,269,718	-221,185,748	-15,122,971	45,833,916	..
Increase %—								
1908-11 ..	..	98·68	50·58	267·00	22·67	12·06	41·44	..
1911-14 ..	..	-44·79	-0·96	-4·12	-38·21	-21·07	35·38	..

VALUE.

		£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1908 ..	..	2,386,548	1,034,391	3,089,591	18,027,930	4,885,730	1,219,107	2,195,053
1909 ..	..	2,399,693	1,229,481	6,628,683	20,603,450	4,879,660	1,231,035	3,160,008
1910 ..	..	3,951,131	1,244,165	9,933,561	23,439,098	5,338,089	2,161,513	3,949,614
1911 ..	..	4,637,362	1,391,529	9,641,608	21,394,798	4,676,395	1,633,622	3,227,236
1912 ..	..	3,342,320	1,456,668	6,403,237	22,071,477	4,253,901	1,592,378	4,289,041
1913 ..	..	3,565,282	1,863,667	7,987,477	21,479,782	4,797,280	2,896,532	5,539,827
1914 ..	..	2,655,372	1,495,557	9,996,514	14,265,448	4,109,855	2,972,730	4,146,003
Numerical	In-							
crease—								
1908-11 ..	..	2,250,814	357,138	6,552,017	3,366,868	-209,335	414,515	1,032,183
1911-14 ..	..	-1,981,990	104,028	354,906	-7,129,350	-566,540	1,339,108	918,767
Increase %—								
1908-11 ..	..	94·3	34·53	212·10	18·68	-4·28	34·00	47·01
1911-14 ..	..	-42·73	7·48	3·69	-33·32	-12·11	81·98	28·47

* One ton flour (2,000 lbs.) is equivalent to 50 bushels of wheat.—† 60 lbs.

II.—WOOL (AS IN THE GREASE) PRODUCED—STATES AND COMMONWEALTH, 1907 TO 1913.

Year.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Northern Territory.	Commonwealth.
	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.
1907 ..	375,224,448	120,017,787	104,173,964	57,830,794	22,013,541	10,878,478	†	690,139,012
1908 ..	344,550,707	93,999,156	115,283,309	52,040,731	22,450,624	13,859,755	†	642,184,282
1909 ..	379,388,356	112,102,445	127,531,834	56,415,539	30,048,360	12,550,598	†	718,037,132
1910-11 ..	374,907,068*	101,803,644	139,250,802	63,613,781	29,984,453	11,338,540	400,000	721,298,288
1911-12 ..	371,546,415*	110,463,041	142,382,269	60,056,470	30,833,837	10,726,593	400,000	726,408,625
1912-13 ..	326,804,000*	88,762,612	136,878,270	56,691,036	26,849,981	12,416,014	450,000	648,851,913
1913-14 ..	357,985,000*	106,833,690	154,183,114	55,014,048	26,625,787	10,092,564	400,000	711,134,203
Numerical Increase, 1907-1910-11 ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	31,159,276
1910-11, 1913-14 ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	-10,164,085
Increase %—1907-1910-11 ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4·51
1910-11, 1913-14 ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	-1·41

* Including Federal Territory.—† Included in South Australia.

III.—PRINCIPAL DAIRY PRODUCE—COMMONWEALTH, 1907-1913.

Year.	Butter.	Cheese.	Bacon and Hams.
	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.
1907 ..	156,380,690	13,383,563	40,719,181
1908 ..	145,317,357	14,759,788	40,102,937
1909 ..	154,273,252	15,774,837	37,774,967
1910 ..	193,211,909	16,537,011	45,149,752
1911 ..	212,876,177	15,976,060	53,198,725
1912 ..	187,194,161	16,160,491	54,192,175
1913 ..	198,758,238	19,743,415	52,673,688
Numerical increase—			
1907-10 ..	36,831,219	3,153,448	4,430,571
1910-13 ..	5,546,329	3,206,404	7,523,936
Increase %—			
1907-10 ..	23·55	23·56	10·88
1910-13 ..	2·87	19·39	16·70

IV.—PRINCIPAL DAIRY PRODUCE—STATES AND COMMONWEALTH, 1913.

States.	Butter.	Cheese.	Bacon and Hams.
	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.
New South Wales ..	77,766,703	6,620,648	15,180,378
Victoria ..	73,381,567	4,856,321	19,289,258
Queensland ..	35,199,387	5,395,050	13,709,716
South Australia ..	8,036,274	2,216,985	3,265,773
Western Australia ..	518,566	..	100,143
Tasmania ..	3,843,247	654,411	1,116,535
Federal Territory* ..	12,494	..	11,885
Commonwealth ..	198,758,238	19,743,415	52,673,688

* Part of New South Wales prior to 1911.

V.—MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES IN THE COMMONWEALTH, 1908–1913.

Year.	No. of Establishments.	Hands Employed.	Salaries and Wages Paid.	Value of Plant and Machinery.	Value of Materials Used.	Value added by Manufacture	Value of Output.
			£	£	£	£	£
1908	12,853	257,494	19,884,367	25,927,763	60,957,626	38,572,005	99,529,631
1909	13,229	266,661	21,111,656	26,855,212	64,028,881	41,929,447	105,958,328
1910	13,850	286,928	23,866,161	28,976,735	72,759,261	48,100,897	120,860,158
1911	14,455	311,710	27,528,371	31,599,209	79,004,376	54,017,714	133,022,090
1912	14,878	327,456	31,287,492	34,460,895	88,275,620	60,499,787	148,775,407
1913	15,536	337,101	33,606,087	37,256,958	96,407,477	65,153,286	161,560,763
Numerical increase—							
1908–11 ..	1,602	54,216	7,644,004	5,671,446	18,046,750	15,445,709	33,492,459
1911–13 ..	1,081	25,391	6,077,716	5,657,749	17,403,101	11,135,572	28,538,673
Increase %—							
1908–11 ..	12·46	21·00	38·44	21·87	29·6	40·04	33·65
1911–13 ..	7·48	8·14	22·07	17·9	22·3	20·61	21·45

VI.—MANUFACTURING.

Relative Number of Hands employed, and Value of Output in Factories, 1913.

States.				Hands Employed.		Value of Output.	
					%		%
New South Wales .. ..	..	..	..	1	35·8	1	40·6
Victoria .. ..	..	..	..	2	35·2	2	29·7
Queensland .. ..	..	..	..	3	12·5	3	14·7
South Australia .. ..	..	..	..	4	8·4	4	8·7
Western Australia .. ..	..	..	..	5	5·1	5	4·0
Tasmania .. ..	..	..	..	6	3·0	6	2·3
Commonwealth .. ..	..	..	..	..	100·0	..	100·0

VII.—PRINCIPAL CROPS IN THE COMMONWEALTH, 1907–8—1913–14.

Area under Crops.

Season.	Grain.			Hay.	Sugar Cane.	Total under Crops.
	Wheat.	Oats.	Maize.			
	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.
1907–8	5,383,911	642,815	299,579	1,812,579	144,763	9,353,902
1908–9	5,262,473	676,156	323,875	2,452,682	140,883	9,891,243
1909–10	6,586,236	698,448	364,585	2,228,029	142,261	10,972,299
1910–11	7,372,456	676,688	414,914	2,258,405	155,542	11,893,838
1911–12	7,427,834	616,857	340,065	2,518,288	144,283	12,107,017
1912–13	7,339,651	874,284	314,936	3,217,041	155,567	13,038,049
1913–14	9,287,398	859,020	331,879	2,754,672	160,976	14,683,012
Numerical Increase—						
1907–8—1910–11 ..	1,988,545	33,873	115,335	445,826	10,779	2,539,936
1910–11—1913–14..	1,914,942	182,332	83,035	496,267	5,434	2,789,174
Increase %—						
1907–8—1910–11 ..	36·93	5·27	38·50	24·59	7·44	27·15
1910–11—1913–14..	25·97	26·94	2·00	21·97	3·49	23·45

PRINCIPAL CROPS OF THE COMMONWEALTH, 1907-8—1913-14—continued.

Total Yield.

Season.	Grain.			Hay.	Sugar Cane.
	Wheat.	Oats.	Maize.		
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Tons.	Tons.
1907-8	44,655,673	9,185,227	8,137,745	1,748,858	1,942,418
1908-9	62,590,996	16,248,857	8,655,279	3,137,374	1,578,075
1909-10	90,413,597	14,734,868	10,770,648	3,153,196	1,294,575
1910-11	95,111,983	15,428,456	13,044,081	3,176,391	2,000,758
1911-12	71,636,347	9,561,771	9,039,855	2,868,032	1,682,250
1912-13	91,981,070	16,116,712	8,356,158	3,955,311	1,135,141
1913-14	103,344,132	15,232,048	9,173,321	3,372,596	2,271,558
Numerical Increase—					
1907-8—1910-11 ..	50,456,310	6,243,229	4,906,336	1,427,533	58·340
1910-11—1913-14 ..	8,232,149	— 196,408	— 3,870,760	196,205	270·800
Increase %—					
1907-8—1910-11 ..	112·99	67·97	60·29	81·63	3·00
1910-11—1913-14 ..	8·65	— 1·27	— 29·67	6·18	13·53

Average Yield per Acre.

Season.	Grain.			Hay.	Sugar Cane.
	Wheat.	Oats.	Maize.		
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Tons.	Tons.
1907-8	8·29	14·29	27·16	0·96	18·62
1908-9	11·89	24·03	26·72	1·28	15·91
1909-10	13·73	21·10	29·54	1·42	14·95
1910-11	12·90	22·80	31·44	1·41	19·96
1911-12	9·64	15·50	26·29	1·14	16·65
1912-13	12·53	18·43	26·53	1·23	13·47
1913-14	11·13	17·73	27·56	1·22	20·84
Numerical Increase—					
1907-8—1910-11 ..	4·61	8·51	4·28	0·45	1·34
1910-11—1913-14 ..	— 1·77	— 5·7	— 3·88	— 0·19	0·88
Increase %—					
1907-8—1910-11 ..	55·6	59·55	15·75	46·87	7·19
1910-11—1913-14 ..	— 13·72	— 2·5	— 12·34	— 13·4	4·4

VIII.—AREA AND PRODUCTION OF WHEAT—STATES AND COMMONWEALTH, 1914-15.

Particulars.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Northern Territory.	Commonwealth.
Area under wheat—acres	3,428,859	2,863,535	127,015	2,502,630	1,375,424	23,865	..	10,321,328
Total yield—bushels	12,784,529	3,940,947	1,585,087	3,527,428	2,621,325	384,220	..	24,843,536
Average yield per acre—bushels	3·73	1·38	12·48	1·41	1·91	16·10	..	2·41

IX.—NUMBER OF PRINCIPAL LIVE STOCK—COMMONWEALTH, 1908-14.

Year.					Sheep.	Cattle.	Horses.	Pigs.
					No.	No.	No.	No.
1908	..	..	..	..	87,043,266	10,547,679	1,927,731	695,689
1909	..	..	..	..	91,676,281	11,040,391	2,022,917	765,137
1910	..	..	..	..	92,047,015	11,744,714	2,165,866	1,025,850
1911	..	..	..	..	93,003,521	11,828,954	2,279,027	1,110,721
1912	..	..	..	..	83,263,686	11,577,259	2,408,113	845,255
1913	..	..	..	..	85,057,402	11,483,882	2,522,776	800,505
1914	..	..	..	..	82,032,723	11,131,373	2,499,983	*800,505
Numerical Increase 1908-11					5,960,255	1,281,275	351,296	415,032
1911-14					— 10,970,798	— 697,581	220,956	— 310,216
Increase per cent., 1908-11					6·85	12·15	18·22	59·65
1911-14					— 11·80	— 5·90	9·69	— 27·92

* 1913 figures ; 1914 figures not available.

X.—NUMBER OF PRINCIPAL LIVE-STOCK—STATES AND COMMONWEALTH, 1914.

					Sheep.	Cattle.	Horses.	Pigs.
					No.	No.	No.	No.
New South Wales	..	..	..	..	36,287,000	2,590,000	710,000	287,896*
Victoria	..	..	..	..	12,051,685	1,362,542	552,053	243,196
Queensland	..	..	..	..	23,129,919	5,455,943	743,059	166,638
South Australia	..	..	..	..	4,208,461	300,579	267,877	69,893
Western Australia	..	..	..	..	4,474,613	824,227	161,077	59,751
Tasmania	..	..	..	..	1,674,845	176,524	42,232	34,960
Northern Territory	..	..	..	..	70,200	414,558	21,985	1,240
Federal Capital Territory	..	..	..	..	136,000	7,000	1,700	194*
Commonwealth					82,032,723	11,131,373	2,499,983	863,768

* 1913 figures ; 1914 figures not available.

XI.—VALUE OF PRINCIPAL MINERALS PRODUCED—COMMONWEALTH, 1907-1913.

Year.		Gold.	Silver and Lead.	Copper.	Tin.	Coal.	All Minerals.
		£	£	£	£	£	£
1907	..	13,515,109	5,095,460	3,536,382	1,509,787	3,302,974	28,301,346
1908	..	13,058,853	2,911,412	2,412,985	1,094,134	3,762,914	24,580,303
1909	..	12,604,509	2,329,164	2,332,988	979,888	3,083,696	23,039,162
1910	..	11,553,840	2,503,909	2,389,412	950,768	3,684,041	23,215,191
1911	..	10,551,624	3,021,284	2,564,278	1,209,973	3,929,673	23,480,211
1912	..	9,879,928	4,219,013	3,244,550	1,348,992	4,418,025	25,629,238
1913	..	9,376,573	4,716,109	3,269,385	1,401,571	4,628,063	25,807,557
Numerical Increase—							
1907-10	..	—1,961,269	—2,591,551	—1,146,970	— 559,019	381,067	—5,086,155
1910-13	..	—2,177,267	2,212,200	879,973	450,803	944,022	2,592,366
Increase %—							
1907-10	..	— 14·51	— 50·86	— 32·43	— 37·02	11·54	— 17·97
1910-13	..	— 18·84	88·35	36·83	47·41	25·62	11·17

XII.—VALUE OF PRINCIPAL MINERALS PRODUCED—STATES AND COMMONWEALTH, 1913.

States.	Gold.	Silver and Lead.	Copper.	Tin.	Coal.	All Minerals.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
New South Wales ..	635,703	4,173,867	598,733	421,292	3,770,375	11,649,089
Victoria ..	1,847,475	2,074	2,829	6,959	274,940	2,171,477
Queensland ..	1,128,768	134,121	1,660,178	343,669	403,767	3,857,881
South Australia ..	27,800	1,400	488,986	..	..	632,519
Western Australia ..	5,581,701	82,422	142,513	72,142	153,614	6,036,265
Tasmania ..	141,876	319,997	375,664	531,983	25,367	1,415,700
Northern Territory ..	13,250	2,228	482	25,526	..	44,626
Commonwealth ..	9,376,573	4,716,109	3,269,385	1,401,571	4,628,063	25,807,557

The total value of gold produced in the Commonwealth up to the end of 1913 was £555,436,203, and that of silver and lead, and of copper, was £74,785,002 and £65,663,651 respectively.

XIII.—RELATIVE AREA UNDER PRINCIPAL CROPS IN THE SEVERAL STATES AND FEDERAL CAPITAL TERRITORY DURING THE SEASON 1913-14.

State and Territory.	Wheat.		Maize.		Oats.		Barley.		Hay.		Green Forage.		Potatoes.		Vineyards.		Orchards and Fruit Gardens.		Sugar Cane.		All other Crops.		Total Area under Crop.	
		%		%		%		%		%		%		%		%		%		%		%		%
New South Wales	1	34.5	1	47.3	4	12.0	3	9.2	2	29.0	2	30.0	2	22.7	3	13.3	2	23.8	2	8.2	2	20.2	1	31.1
Victoria	2	27.7	3	5.4	1	51.5	2	37.4	1	35.5	3	20.4	1	42.8	2	36.7	1	31.1	..	..	1	32.1	2	29.9
Queensland	5	1.4	2	47.2	6	0.5	5	4.0	6	2.8	1	35.2	4	7.6	5	2.5	6	9.3	1	91.8	4	11.7	5	5.1
South Australia	3	24.4	4	0.1	3	13.6	1	40.7	3	20.6	4	10.3	5	6.2	1	42.8	4	11.3	..	..	5	11.0	3	21.6
Western Australia	4	11.8	..	*	2	15.6	4	5.2	4	8.9	5	2.7	6	3.0	4	4.7	5	9.5	..	..	6	5.6	4	10.5
Tasmania	6	0.2	..	..	5	6.8	6	3.5	5	3.1	6	1.4	3	17.7	..	..	3	14.9	..	..	3	19.4	6	1.8
Federal Capital Territory	..	..	..	*	..	*	..	*	7	0.1	..	*	7	*	..	..	7	0.1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Commonwealth	..	100.0	..	100.0	..	100.0	..	100.0	..	100.0	..	100.0	..	100.0	..	100.0	..	100.0	..	100.0	..	100.0	..	100.0

Northern Territory, 1913-14. The acreage was—Maize, 45; rice, 45; wheat, 9; grass seed, 10; green forage, 21; oats, 8; sweet potatoes, 10; broom millet, 10; pumpkins and melons, 12; orchards and fruit gardens, 50; hay, 61; and other crops, 73 acres. Total area under crop, 354 acres.

* Small quantity grown.

The following crops not shown separately in above table are produced :—

New South Wales.—Pumpkins and melons, tomatoes, apples, pears, bananas, pineapples, oranges (10,111 acres), lemons, and other fruits.

Victoria.—Flax, chicory, millet, pumpkins and melons, apples, pears, oranges, lemons, peaches, and many small fruits.

Queensland.—Sweet potatoes, arrowroot, yams, millet, coffee, cotton, india-rubber, pumpkins and melons, sisal hemp, tomatoes, &c. Among the fruits grown may be mentioned bananas (7,400 acres), cocoanuts, mangoes, custard apples, passion fruit, pawpaws, pineapples (3,014 acres), oranges (2,407 acres), lemons, apples, and pears.

South Australia.—Apples, pears, lemons, oranges, peaches, apricots, olives, and many small fruits.

Western Australia.—Apples, oranges, lemons, pears, peaches, apricots, bananas, and small fruits.

Tasmania produced over 1,900,000 bushels of apples in 1913-14, and produces large quantities of pears, and apricots, besides many small fruits suitable to cooler climates.

XIV.—RELATIVE FARMYARD AND DAIRY PRODUCTION, 1913.

State.			Butter.		Cheese.		Bacon and Ham.	
				%		%		%
New South Wales*	..	..	1	39·1	1	33·6	2	28·9
Victoria	..	..	2	36·9	3	24·6	1	36·6
Queensland	..	..	3	17·7	2	27·3	3	26·0
South Australia	..	..	4	4·1	4	11·2	4	6·2
Western Australia	..	..	6	·3	..	·3	6	·2
Tasmania	..	..	5	1·9	5	3·3	5	2·1
Commonwealth	..	..	..	100·0	..	100·0	..	100·0

* Including Federal Capital Territory.

XV.—FORESTRY.

Relative Proportion of Local Timber Sawn or Hewn, 1913.

New South Wales.		Victoria.		Queensland.		South Australia.		Western Australia.		Tasmania.		Commonwealth.
	%		%		%		%		%		%	%
2	24·1	4	12·0	3	22·9	6	..	1	32·1	5	8·9	100·0

XVI.—RELATIVE AMOUNTS OF MINERAL PRODUCTION IN THE SEVERAL STATES AND NORTHERN TERRITORY, 1914.

States and Territory.		Gold.		Silver and Lead.		Copper.		Tin.		Coal.		Total Mineral Production	
			%		%		%		%		%		%
New South Wales	..	4	6·8	1	88·5	2	18·3	2	30·1	1	81·5	1	45·1
Victoria	..	2	19·7	5	·1	6	·1	6	·5	3	5·9	4	8·4
Queensland	..	3	12·0	3	2·8	1	50·8	3	24·5	2	8·7	3	14·9
South Australia	..	6	·3	..	..	3	15·0	..	..	..	..	6	2·5
Western Australia	..	1	59·5	4	1·8	5	4·3	4	5·1	4	3·3	2	23·4
Tasmania	..	5	1·5	2	6·8	4	11·5	1	38·0	5	·6	5	5·5
Northern Territory	..	7	·2	..	..	..	..	5	1·8	..	..	7	..
Commonwealth	..	..	100·0	..	100·0	..	100·0	..	100·0	..	100·0	..	100·0

XVII.—RELATIVE PASTORAL PRODUCTION, 1914.

States and Territory.		Wool Production. 1914.		Sheep.		Cattle.		Horses.		Pigs.	
			%		%		%		%		%
New South Wales	..	1	52·1	1	44·2	2	23·3	2	28·4	..	33·3*
Victoria	..	3	15·1	3	14·7	3	12·2	3	22·1	..	28·2
Queensland	..	2	19·0	2	28·2	1	49·0	1	29·8	..	19·3
South Australia	..	4	8·2	5	5·1	6	2·7	4	10·7	..	8·1
Western Australia	..	5	3·9	4	5·5	4	7·4	5	6·4	..	6·9
Tasmania	..	6	1·7	6	2·0	7	1·6	6	1·6	..	4·1
Northern Territory	..	..	..	8	0·1	5	3·7	7	1·0	..	0·1
Federal Territory	..	..	..	7	0·2	8	0·1	..	..	..	..
Commonwealth	..	..	100·0	..	100·0	..	100·0	..	100·0	..	100·0

* 1913 figures ; 1914 figures not available

XVIII.—ESTIMATED VALUE OF AUSTRALIAN PRODUCTION, 1907-1913.

Year.				Agri- cultural.	Pastoral.	Dairy, Poultry, and Bee Farming.	Forestry. and Fisheries.	Mining.	Manufac- turing. (a)	Total.
				£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.
1907	..	..	..	30,500	50,660	15,584	4,826	28,301	(b)	(b)
1908	..	..	..	37,150	47,259	15,045	4,286	24,580	36,637	164,957
1909	..	..	..	41,056	50,864	15,064	4,462	23,039	40,018	174,503
1910	..	..	..	39,752	56,993	17,387	4,789	23,215	45,598	187,734
1911	..	..	..	38,774	50,725	19,107	5,728	23,480	50,767	188,581
1912	..	..	..	45,754	51,615	20,280	6,432	25,629	57,022	206,732
1913	..	..	..	46,260	57,866	20,341	6,338	25,808	61,586	218,199
Numerical Increase, 1907-10				9,252	6,333	1,803	— 37	— 5,186	..	..
" " 1910-13				6,508	873	2,954	1,549	2,593	15,988	30,465
Increase per cent., 1907-10..				30·34	12·5	11·57	— 0·77	— 17·97	..	..
" " 1910-13..				16·37	1·53	16·99	32·35	11·17	35·06	16·23

(a) These amounts differ from those given in preceding tables, owing to certain products which are there included having been included in Dairy Farming and Forestry in this Table.
(b) Full particulars not available.

LIST OF ARTICLES ON WHICH BOUNTY HAS BEEN PAID.

Cotton—Ginned.	Pig Iron made from Australian Ore.
Fibres—	Steel made from Australian Pig Iron.
Flax and Hemp.	Puddled Bar Iron made from Australian Pig Iron.
Sisal Hemp.	Galvanized Sheet or Plate made from Australian Ore.
Oil Materials supplied to an Oil Factory for manu- facture of Oil—	Wire-netting made from Wire manufactured in United Kingdom.
Cotton Seed.	Kerosene.
Linseed.	Refined Paraffin Wax.
Coffee—Raw, as prescribed.	Other articles on which the payment of bounty is provided, though none has yet been claimed, are—
Tobacco Leaf for manufacture of Cigars of pre- scribed quality.	New Zealand flax fibre, jute fibre, rice (uncleaned), dried dates, other dried or candied fruits (except currants and raisins) exported.
Fish—Preserved as prescribed.	
Fruits—Dried (exclusive of currants and raisins), or Candied and Exported.	
Combed Wool or Tops exported.	
Sugar. (The payment of bounty on sugar will cease under the Sugar Bounties Abolition Act of 1912, which will come into operation by proclamation when the Legislatures of Queensland, New South Wales, and Victoria pass certain legislation con- cerning the wages and labour conditions for the industry.)	

SUMMARY OF IMPORTS AND LOCAL PRODUCTION, 1912.

The following summary shows, approximately, for some of the principal classes of goods imported in competition with local industry, the value of imports—free and dutiable—and the equivalent *ad valorem* rate of duty collected thereon, together with the local production, the number of hands employed, and the wages paid during the year 1912:—

	Free (a).	Imports.		Equi- valent Average <i>ad val.</i> Rate of Duty on Dutiable Imports.	Production.		
		Dutiable.	Total.		Value of Output.	Hands Em- ployed.	Wages Paid.
	£	£	£	%	£	No.	£
Foodstuffs—							
Milk, preserved	25,949	25,949	24·45	579,161	208	22,900
Pickles and Sauces	169,482	169,482	20·21	350,014	836	51,120
Spices and Condiments, &c.	223,355	223,355	17·42	1,202,055	1,056	78,774
Malt	45,226	45,226	34·18	711,702	385	47,103
Confectionery	640,566	640,566	20·42	1,553,407	3,656	263,368

Summary of Imports and Local Production, 1912—continued.

	Free (a).	Imports.		Equivalent Average <i>ad val.</i> Rate of Duty on Dutiable Imports.	Production.		
		Dutiable.	Total.		Value of Output.	Hands Employed.	Wages Paid.
	£	£	£	%	£	No.	£
Narcotics and Stimulants— Tobacco (Cut and Plug), Cigars and Cigarettes..	..	431,962	431,962	135·07 (b) (average 4s. 6d. per lb.)	2,696,157	3,484	358,081
Ale and Beer .. ..	..	609,780	609,780	46·62 (c) (1s. 5½d. per gal.)	3,647,850	3,532	523,812
Spirits—Potable ..	..	1,087,993	1,087,993	219·25 (d) (14s. per gal.)	191,645	163	17,528
Other .. ..	..	156,006	156,006	22·97			
Textiles and Apparel—							
Woollen Piece Goods, &c.	..	2,515,689	2,515,689	25·78	930,485	3,379	232,561
Hats and Caps ..	..	447,800	447,800	34·33	830,746	3,655	268,784
Boots and Shoes ..	..	425,198	425,198	31·24	3,730,069	13,341	1,144,465
Umbrellas, &c. ..	..	30,741	30,741	25·00	133,430	382	24,570
Other Apparel ..	199,498	2,796,168	2,995,666	30·71	10,126,439	61,039	3,277,083
Drugs and Chemicals—							
Fertilizers	565,543	..	565,548	..	1,091,795	1,394	156,852
Paints and Varnishes ..	38,177	638,684	676,861	17·45	228,857	526	41,529
Essential Oils	70,065	93,712	163,777	31·80	34,465	218	9,227
Blacking, Blue, Baking Powder, &c. .. ..	..	186,450	186,450	19·99	442,449	593	46,535
Miscellaneous Drugs and Chemicals	1,157,198	492,020	1,649,218	17·87	880,040	1,650	149,537
Wood Manufactures—							
Furniture .. ..	..	328,559	328,559	33·34	1,942,149	7,748	792,456
Picture Frames ..	..	23,957	23,957	32·32	165,642	570	47,330
Coopering .. ..	..	3,161	3,161	40·95	162,549	536	56,977
Other Manufactures of Wood .. ..	..	244,259	244,259	25·87	3,792,325	10,876	1,159,053
Leather and Manufactures of—							
Leather	24,639	480,853	505,492	18·28	2,834,007	3,071	328,060
Leather Manufactures (ex- cluding Boots, &c. ..	..	94,324	94,324	23·96	1,234,640	3,765	345,118
Explosives	519,967	186,843	706,810	16·79	230,986	746	63,446
Rubber Manufactures ..	72,845	774,404	847,249	25·04	760,692	1,461	139,464
Metal Manufactures and Machinery—							
Agricultural Implements and Machinery	157,619	363,721	521,340	21·34	1,538,421	4,733	527,406
Other Machinery and Manufactures of Metals	8,127,399	9,276,879	17,404,278	16·51	16,810,824	53,698	6,387,425
Paper and Manufactures of Paper	1,488,318	464,510	1,952,828	31·87	680,173	2,854	194,977
Earthenware, Glass, &c.—							
Tiles, Pipes, and Pottery	16,842	498,742	515,584	21·98	410,036 (f)	1,672	190,000
Glass and Glassware ..	84,136	497,499	581,635 (g)	21·32	632,485	2,578	271,587
Lime, Plaster, Cement, and Asphalt .. ..	..	346,305	346,305	40·73	701,336	1,739	204,040
Vehicles—							
Motors, &c., Bicycles ..	1,451,495	358,275	1,809,770	40·07	649,654	2,792	278,660
Perambulators, Go-carts, &c. .. ..	..	43,741	43,741	26·47	52,948	201	17,382
Miscellaneous—							
Soap .. ..	..	133,839	133,839	23·53	1,071,262	1,178	107,800
Candles .. ..	..	15,847	15,847	28·29	332,968	366	33,540
Rope and Cordage ..	15,970	171,842	187,812	22·32	627,126	1,337	96,259
Brushware	4,058	159,909	163,967	27·45	236,741	838	61,312

(a) Including goods which pay 5 per cent. duty under the General Tariff, while similar goods, of United Kingdom origin, are free under the Preferential Tariff.

(b) The average Excise on tobacco, cigars and cigarettes during 1912 was about 1s. 5d. per lb., and the average duty on imported unmanufactured tobacco averaged about 1s. 6½d. per lb., equal to 190 per cent.

(c) Excise Duty—3d. per gallon.

(d) The average Excise Duty paid on spirits during 1912 was 7s. 11·14d.; excluding the spirits for fortifying wine or making vinegar, the average Excise rate was 11s. 4·85d.

(f) Exclusive of building bricks.

(g) Exclusive of bottles containing goods.

COMMONWEALTH LAND TAX ASSESSMENT, 1910-14.

					1910-11.	1911-12.	1912-13.	1913-14.
					No.	No.	No.	No.
Number of Taxpayers—								
Resident Owners					10,871	12,827	13,154	13,273
Absentee Owners					3,606	3,802	3,585	3,460
Total					14,477	16,629	16,739	16,733
Unimproved Value of Land as returned by Owners—					£	£	£	£
Resident					200,873,622	179,615,366	177,922,403	179,485,826
Absentee					6,673,918	6,543,523	4,941,308	4,443,302
Total					207,547,540	186,158,889	182,863,711	183,929,128
Unimproved Value as ascertained by Department—								
Resident					173,286,378	183,884,035	189,822,942	190,886,769
Absentee					5,160,320	6,707,890	5,273,243	4,580,248
Total					178,446,698	190,591,925	195,096,185	195,467,017
Tax Assessed on—								
Urban Land—Resident Owners					432,565	474,291	536,055	544,182
Absentee Owners					25,567	51,164	39,817	39,347
Total					458,132	525,455	575,872	583,529
Rural Land—Resident Owners					909,647	886,953	860,081	851,805
Absentee Owners					37,190	32,852	24,010	16,439
Total					946,837	919,805	884,091	868,244
All Land—Resident Owners					1,342,212	1,361,244	1,396,136	1,395,985
Absentee Owners					62,757	84,016	63,827	55,788
Total					1,404,969	1,445,260	1,459,963	1,451,773
Area of Rural Land Assessed acres					..	63,648,925	64,027,662	63,780,759
Assessed Tax on Rural Land per acre					..	3.468d.	3.314d.	3.286d.

LAND TAX ASSESSMENTS, 1913-14.
Miscellaneous Particulars relating to Each State.

	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Total.
Area of State	1,000 ae.	1,000 ae.	1,000 ae.	1,000 ae.	1,000 ae.	1,000 ae.	1,000 ac.
Per cent. to Total	198,638*	56,246	429,120	243,245	624,589	16,777	1,903 732†
Land Alienated in Process of or Licence	10.4	3.1	22.6	12.7	32.8	0.8	100
Area of Rural Land included in Tax- able Returns	1,000 ae.	1,000 ac.	1,000 ac.	1,000 ac.	1,000 ac.	1,000 ae.	1,000 ac.
Per cent. to Total	182,408	45,498	343,066	127,865	209,910	7,958	1,013,206‡
Average Tax per Acre on Rural Lands	18.0	4.5	33.9	12.6	20.7	0.8	100
Tax Assessed on Urban Lands ..	1,000 ae.	1,000 ae.	1,000 ac.	1,000 ae.	1,000 ac.	1,000 ae.	1,000 ae.
Tax Assessed on Rural Lands ..	33,566	9,111	7,350	6,399	4,863	2,504	63,793
Total Tax Assessed	52.7	14.3	11.5	10.0	7.6	3.9	100
Tax Assessed in each State per cent. to Total—							
Urban Lands	3.366d.	5.291d.	2.463d.	2.857d.	0.979d.	2.404d.	3.266d.
Rural Lands	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Total	289,406	157,921	43,820	50,268	33,878	8,238	583,531
Number of Taxable Returns§—	470,841	200,873	75,422	76,183	19,843	25,080	868,242
Resident	760,247	358,794	119,242	126,451	53,721	33,318	1,451,773
Absentee							
Total							
Urban Lands	49.6	27.1	7.5	8.6	5.8	1.4	100
Rural Lands	54.2	23.1	8.7	8.8	2.3	2.9	100
Total	52.4	24.7	8.2	8.7	3.7	2.3	100
Number of Taxable Returns§—							
Resident	4,325	4,178	947	1,523	484	528	13,273||
Absentee	587	768	245	312	1,083	244	3,460||
Total	4,912	4,946	1,192	1,835	1,567	772	16,733||

* Including Federal Capital Territory.—† Includes Northern Territory, 335,117,000 acres, or 17.6 per cent. of the total area.—‡ Includes Northern Territory, 96,501,000 acres, or 9.5 per cent. of the total land alienated, &c.—§ See Note ||.—|| Including returns embracing properties in more than one State : Resident, 1,288, Absentee 221 ; total, 1,509.

COMMONWEALTH LAND TAX.

Sales and Purchases of Land by Persons who have Lodged Returns.

SALES.

State.	Town Land.		Country Land.			Total.	
	No. of Sales.	Un-improved Value.	No. of Sales.	Un-improved Value.	Area.	No. of Sales.	Un-improved Value.
		£		£	acres.		£
Central*	2,825	975,638	978	2,556,604	1,270,493	3,803	3,532,242
New South Wales	6,219	1,876,709	1,775	4,744,978	2,863,967	7,994	6,621,687
Victoria	3,014	880,227	1,800	3,783,136	919,720	4,814	4,663,363
Queensland	980	360,641	672	1,369,160	854,012	1,652	1,729,801
South Australia	1,121	546,182	666	1,827,828	801,794	1,787	2,374,010
Western Australia	699	330,448	249	140,625	205,530	948	471,073
Tasmania	169	96,383	114	157,261	105,749	283	253,644
Total 1913-14	15,027	5,066,228	6,254	14,579,592	7,021,265	21,281	19,645,820
Total, 1912-13	17,835	5,500,243	5,053	9,489,384	4,317,274	22,888	14,989,627
Total, 1911-12	10,550	5,100,724	3,518	8,813,414	5,393,452	14,068	13,914,138
Total 1910-11 (1st October to 30th June) .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	18,288	18,188,293

PURCHASES.

State.	Town Land.		Country Land.			Total.	
	No. of Purchases.	Un-improved Value.	No. of Purchases.	Un-improved Value.	Area.	No. of Purchases.	Un-improved Value.
		£		£	acres.		£
Central*	503	793,135	310	1,254,888	764,577	813	2,048,023
New South Wales	702	1,256,116	776	3,753,375	2,517,684	1,478	5,009,491
Victoria	556	572,046	854	2,504,942	664,264	1,410	3,076,988
Queensland	207	427,930	204	843,773	562,069	411	1,271,703
South Australia	209	170,475	320	892,129	389,580	529	1,062,604
Western Australia	114	87,958	32	44,689	57,726	146	132,647
Tasmania	49	59,767	24	22,290	19,556	73	82,057
Total 1913-14	2,340	3,367,427	2,520	9,316,086	4,975,456	4,860	12,683,513
Total 1912-13	2,052	3,089,442	2,133	6,147,098	3,243,775	4,185	9,236,540
Total, 1911-12	1,059	1,790,931	852	2,899,250	2,010,056	1,911	4,690,181
Total 1910-11 (1st October to 30th June) .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	3,874	9,266,506

* Central Office returns are those of persons owning land in more than one State.

STATE LAND TAX COLLECTIONS, 1906-7 to 1913-14.

State.	1906-7.	1907-8.	1908-9.	1909-10.	1910-11.	1911-12.	1912-13.	1913-14.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
New South Wales	345,497	178,889	80,794	9,066	7,438	6,479	5,738	4,692
Victoria	92,438	89,496	85,559	114,357	210,640	293,823	308,275	302,224
South Australia ..	90,200	93,762	92,158	94,126	135,614	118,724	141,807	136,602
Western Australia	..	11,140	33,120	34,344	37,871	45,166	46,519	46,201
Tasmania	56,065	57,742	59,651	79,021	64,932	81,234	79,276	79,085
Commonwealth	584,200	431,029	351,282	330,914	456,495	545,426	581,615	568,804

STATE INCOME, DIVIDEND, AND ABILITY TAXES, 1906-7 TO 1913-14.

State.	1906-7.	1907-8.	1908-9.	1909-10.	1910-11	1911-12.	1912-13.	1913-14.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
New South Wales	283,422	215,283	202,369	219,977	269,142	644,571	662,625	1,290,370
Victoria ..	355,148	317,354	304,464	338,585	395,998	443,248	542,236	527,705
Queensland ..	284,476	271,299	273,091	304,693	348,513	372,497	421,507	472,918
South Australia	166,582	212,643	160,777	180,923	168,707	207,416	210,034	240,996
Western Australia	116,916	113,967	134,164	132,180	134,075	154,442	171,239	174,558
Tasmania ..	116,949	101,433	94,015	110,258	115,836	143,875	148,413	162,458
Commonwealth	1,323,493	1,231,979	1,168,880	1,286,616	1,432,271	1,966,049	2,156,054	2,869,005

PURCHASING POWER OF MONEY.

AMOUNTS NECESSARY ON THE AVERAGE IN EACH YEAR FROM 1901 TO 1915 (2ND QUARTER) TO PURCHASE IN EACH CAPITAL TOWN WHAT WOULD HAVE COST ON THE AVERAGE £1 IN 1911 IN THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITALS REGARDED AS A WHOLE.

Year.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.	Weighted Average of Six Capital Towns.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
1901	17 10	17 5	15 5	17 3	20 6	17 5	17 7
1902	19 7	18 1	16 0	17 3	21 7	17 10	18 7
1903	19 2	17 7	15 9	16 9	21 8	17 11	18 2
1904	17 5	17 1	14 8	16 3	20 10	17 1	17 2
1905	18 9	17 7	15 5	17 6	20 11	17 9	18 0
1906	18 8	17 7	15 7	17 10	20 5	18 0	18 0
1907	18 6	17 6	15 11	17 11	19 9	17 9	17 11
1908	19 9	18 6	17 1	19 1	20 0	18 5	19 0
1909	19 9	18 1	17 0	19 10	19 9	19 0	19 0
1910	19 11	18 10	17 6	20 2	20 6	19 0	19 5
1911	20 7	19 0	18 4	21 2	22 6	19 1	20 0*
1912	22 11	21 1	19 7	23 2	23 1	20 10	22 0
1913	23 7	21 0	19 5	22 5	22 6	21 1	22 1
1914	24 1	22 1	19 11	22 10	22 10	21 10	22 10
1912 { 1st Quarter ..	21 4	19 9	19 6	22 6	22 4	19 7	20 9
1912 { 2nd " ..	22 5	20 10	19 6	23 2	23 8	20 2	21 9
1912 { 3rd " ..	24 1	22 1	19 8	23 8	23 6	21 5	22 11
1912 { 4th " ..	23 10	21 8	19 8	23 3	22 10	22 2	22 7
1913 { 1st " ..	23 5	21 0	19 1	22 8	22 6	21 1	22 0
1913 { 2nd " ..	23 10	21 2	19 7	22 11	22 11	21 3	22 4
1913 { 3rd " ..	23 6	21 1	19 4	22 4	22 4	21 1	22 1
1913 { 4th " ..	23 6	20 10	19 6	21 10	22 5	20 10	21 11
1914 { 1st " ..	24 0	21 4	19 7	22 4	22 3	21 1	22 4
1914 { 2nd " ..	24 3	22 7	19 9	23 6	22 10	22 0	23 1
1914 { 3rd " ..	24 2	22 5	20 1	23 2	23 3	21 10	23 0
1914 { 4th " ..	24 1	22 1	20 4	22 5	23 0	22 3	22 10
1915 { 1st " ..	24 7	22 11	21 1	23 3	23 10	22 10	23 6
1915 { 2nd " ..	25 2	25 3	22 8	25 4	24 8	24 3	24 11
1915 { 3rd " ..	28 1	27 6	24 2	26 6	25 1	25 10	27 2

* Basis of table.

DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME IN AUSTRALIA ESTIMATED AS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30TH JUNE, 1911.

Estimate of Distribution of Incomes.		No. of persons in receipt of Income (1) above limiting amount.	No. of Adults (male and female) in receipt of less income than amount shown in Column (1).	Amount corresponding to each person, Column (3), retaining only the limiting income: Column (1) × Column (3).	Excess above this supposed retained amount Column (2)—Column (5).	Amount which this excess would represent if distributed uniformly among all adults with less than the limiting income viz., those shown in Column (4).	
Limiting Amounts of Income	Total Amount of Income.*					Annual. (6) ÷ (4).	Weekly. (6) ÷ 52. times (4).
(1.)	(2.)	(3.)	(4.)	(5.)	(6.)	(7a.)	(7b.)
	£	Persons.	Adult Persons	£	£	£ s. d.	s. d.
Under £200 ..	Not known.	114,195	2,411,479	22,839,000	39,798,896	16 10 1	6 4
Above £200 ..	62,637,896	57,517	2,468,156	17,255,100	34,871,665	14 3 5	5 5
„ £300 ..	52,126,765	25,485	2,500,188	12,742,500	28,713,247	11 9 7	4 5
„ £500 ..	41,455,747	15,393	2,510,280	11,544,750	23,864,180	9 10 2	3 8
„ £750 ..	35,408,930	9,257	2,516,416	9,257,000	21,407,673	8 10 2	3 2
„ £1000 ..	30,664,673	5,001	2,520,673	7,501,500	17,895,594	7 2 0	2 9
„ £1500 ..	25,397,094	3,536	2,522,138	7,072,000	14,981,874	5 18 10	2 3
„ £2000 ..	22,053,874						

* The distribution for South Australia is assumed to coincide with the aggregate for the other States.

DIFFERENCE PER CAPITA AND PER ADULT IN IMPORTS, EXPORTS, AND PRODUCTION, YEARS 1901-2 AND 1909-10.

Subject of Estimate.	Value per capita of Population.		Difference of Columns (1) and (2) per capita of Population.	Difference per capita of Adults.
	Early period 1901 or 1902. (1.)	Late period 1910. (2.)		
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Imports (1902)	10 11 4	13 14 8	3 3 4	5 13 7
Exports (1902)	11 8 3	17 0 10	5 12 7	10 1 11
Production (1901) (estimated) ..	30 2 6	42 19 0	12 16 8	23 0 3

DISTRIBUTION OF INCOMES IN AUSTRALIA.

The first table furnishes a rough estimate of the distribution of incomes in Australia according to their magnitude. The table is based upon the income tax returns of all the States. These returns show both amount of tax and distribution of incomes, excepting in the case of South Australia, which does not show the distribution. The distribution in this case was assumed to agree with the aggregate for the other States. In the case of New South Wales, the latest figures for incomes less than £1,000 which could be used for this purpose, were those of the 1907 returns, owing to the fact that in later years incomes up to £1,000 derived from personal exertion were not subject to income tax. An allowance based on the increase in population between 1907 and 1910 has been made.

The significance of aggregation of incomes above certain limiting amounts can be measured—among other ways—by showing what it would represent on the average to adults whose incomes do not reach the limiting amount. This is shown in the first table, and its weekly equivalent is given.

A second measure of the significance of the aggregates above the limiting amounts can be had by comparing them with the differences per capita of population between good and bad years, in respect, say, of imports, exports, and production. These differences are shown in the second table, together with the corresponding value per adult, and give a kind of measure of the magnitude of the influence of favorable seasons on the well-being of the community by showing what, on the supposition of uniform distribution among adults, the difference of imports, exports, or production implies. The latter table gives also some indication of what—in the present conditions of the application of science and human effort to the production of wealth—may be called the limitations imposed by nature, for the difference of production between one of the best and one of the worst years in the last decade amounts to only £23 0s. 3d. per adult.

AUSTRALIAN RAILWAYS.

RAILWAYS (GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE) OPEN FOR TRAFFIC, 1908-14.

NOTE.—Mileage of Private Lines shown (in brackets).

Government.	1907-8.		1908-9.		1909-10.		1910-11.		1911-12.		1912-13.		1913-14.	
Commonwealth	..		..		..		(b) 145	(—)	(b) 145	(a)	(b) 145	(a)	(b) 146	(a)
New South Wales	3,472	(271)	3,623	(265)	3,641	(266)	3,758	(266)	3,832	(267)	3,930	(261½)	3,967	(279)
Victoria..	3,396	(47)	3,410	(47)	3,491	(51)	3,523	(51)	3,622	(51)	3,647	(51)	3,835	(51)
Queensland	3,359	(336)	3,498	(367)	3,661	(544)	3,868	(522)	4,123	(510½)	4,381	(512½)	4,570	(646½)
South Australia..	2,024	(58)	2,033	(58)	2,057	(58)	1,935	(58)	1,938	(58)	2,168	(34)	2,323	(34)
Western Australia	1,943	(639)	2,045	(639)	2,145	(832)	2,376	(832)	2,598	(832)	2,854	(973½)	2,967	(943)
Tasmania	463	(204)	463	(204)	469	(204)	470	(205)	496	(205)	507	(222½)	519	(247½)
Government	14,657 (1,555)		15,072 (1,580)		15,464 (1,955)		16,075 (1,934)		16,754 (1,923½)		17,632 (2,054½)		18,327 (2,200½)	
Private—For General Traffic	916		943		936		1,099		1,088½		1,102¾		1,141½	
Private—For Private Traffic	639		637		1,019		835		835		952		1,059½	
Total	16,212		16,652		17,419		18,009		18,677½		19,686¾		20,527¾	

(a) Not available. (b) Pine Creek to Palmerston line (Northern Territory) : the Port Augusta to Oodnadatta line, through the property of the Commonwealth Government, is still worked by the Government of South Australia, and is included in the lines of that State.

INCREASE IN MILEAGE OF GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS.

Government.					Increase, Year 1910-11 over 1907-8.		Increase, Year 1913-14 over 1910-11.	
					Miles.	Per cent.	Miles.	Per cent.
Commonwealth ..	..	..	..	..	145	..	1	0·69
New South Wales	..	..	..	..	286	8·24	209	5·56
Victoria..	..	..	..	..	127	3·74	312	8·86
Queensland	..	..	..	..	509	15·15	702	18·15
South Australia ..	..	..	..	..	— 89	— 4·40	388	20·05
Western Australia	..	..	..	..	433	22·29	591	24·87
Tasmania ..	..	..	..	..	7	1·51	49	10·43
Total	..	..	..	..	1,418	9·67	2,252	14·01

— Denotes net decrease, which is due to transfer of Pine Creek-Palmerston line (145 miles) to Commonwealth.

Australian Railways—continued.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS—YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1914.

Government.	Gross Earnings.	Working Expenses.	Net Earnings.		Cost of Construction and Equipment.	Net Earnings. per cent. to Capital.
			Amount.	Per Train Mile.		
	£	£	£	d.	£	£
Commonwealth	17,566	16,643	923	7.36	1,040,702	0.09
New South Wales	7,742,241	5,409,820	2,332,421	27.24	60,128,491	3.88
Victoria	5,560,958	3,865,498	1,695,460	27.07	49,216,744	3.44
Queensland	3,660,022	2,371,261	1,288,761	27.26	31,817,792	4.05
South Australia	2,414,514	1,602,846	811,668	27.83	17,357,613	4.68
Western Australia	2,257,011	1,572,008	685,003	29.54	15,873,852	4.32
Tasmania	330,168	222,713	107,455	25.77	4,496,634	2.39
Total	21,982,480	15,060,789	6,921,691	27.44	179,931,828	3.85

The following Statement gives particulars up to the 30th June, 1914, of the Mileage of Government Railways—(a) under construction, and (b) authorized for construction, but not commenced :—

Mileage under Construction and Authorized, 30th June, 1914.

Particulars.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Federal.	Commonwealth.
Mileage under construction ..	880½	278½	294	328¾	478	14	1,118	3,391½
Mileage authorized ..	516½	67	1,423	107½	308	..	..	2,421½

RAILWAYS—THE WORLD'S MILEAGE.

Statistics in the possession of the Railway Department show that the mileages of the different continents are as follow :—

Old World.				New World.			
			Miles.				Miles.
Europe .. ..	..	..	214,342	North America .. ..	..	..	299,630
Asia .. ..	..	..	64,448	South America .. ..	..	..	46,700
Africa .. ..	..	..	25,047	Australasia .. ..	..	..	23,429
			303,837				369,759

About 33 per cent. of the railways of the world are worked by Governments.

PROGRESS OF LAND SETTLEMENT IN AUSTRALIA, 1907 to 1913.

TOTAL AREAS ALIENATED, IN PROCESS OF ALIENATION, HELD UNDER LEASE OR LICENCE, AND UNOCCUPIED. Expressed absolutely and as Percentages of Area of entire State.

31st Dec. 1913.	Alienated.		In process of Alienation.		Held under Lease or Licence.		Unoccupied.		Total Area in Acres.
	Area in Acres.	Per cent.	Area in Acres.	Per cent.	Area in Acres.	Per cent.	Area in Acres.	Per cent.	
New South Wales (a)	39,584,685	19·99	18,233,338	9·20	124,590,163	62·91	15,646,234	7·90	198,054,420
Victoria ..	24,009,440	42·69	7,162,516	12·73	13,230,211	23·52	11,843,593	21·06	56,245,760
Queensland ..	16,041,763	3·74	10,039,255	2·34	322,337,898	75·11	80,701,084	18·81	429,120,000
South Australia ..	10,418,974	4·28	2,032,635	0·84	116,275,067	47·80	114,518,124	47·08	243,244,800
Western Australia (a)	7,606,759	1·22	13,755,787	2·20	188,547,418	30·19	414,678,836	66·39	624,588,800
Tasmania ..	5,051,112	30·11	1,290,705	7·69	1,691,558	10·08	8,744,225	52·12	16,777,600
Northern Territory ..	473,990	0·14	..	..	95,511,305	28·50	239,131,505	71·36	335,116,800
Federal Territory ..	92,753	15·89	119,579	20·49	237,903	40·76	133,425	22·86	583,660
Commonwealth ..	103,279,476	5·43	52,633,815	2·76	862,421,523	45·30	885,397,026	46·51	1,903,731,840

(a) To 30th June, 1913.

THE COMMONWEALTH.—AREA, 1,903,731,840 ACRES.

Year.	Alienated.		In Process of Alienation.		Held under Lease or Licence		Unoccupied.	
	Area in Acres.	Per Cent.	Area in Acres.	Per. Cent.	Area in Acres.	Per Cent.	Area in Acres.	Per Cent.
1907	89,351,069	4·69	37,018,591	1·95	774,467,084	40·68	1,002,895,096	52·68
1908	91,693,782	4·82	38,699,384	2·02	787,211,488	41·36	986,127,186	51·80
1909	93,566,533	4·91	41,028,797	2·15	795,877,094	41·81	973,259,416	51·13
1910	96,151,855	5·05	44,749,058	2·35	815,938,237	42·85	946,892,690	49·75
1911	100,713,498	5·29	46,479,854	2·44	829,603,769	43·58	926,934,719	48·69
1912	102,157,238	5·37	50,696,789	2·66	847,546,864	44·52	903,330,949	47·45
1913	103,279,476	5·43	52,633,815	2·76	862,421,523	45·30	885,397,026	46·51
Numerical increase, 1907-10	6,800,786	0·36	7,730,467	0·40	41,471,153	2·17	— 56,002,406	—2·93
1910-13	7,127,621	0·38	7,884,757	0·41	46,483,286	2·45	— 61,495,664	—3·24
Increase per cent., 1907-10	7·61	7·61	20·88	20·88	5·35	5·35	— 5·58	—5·58
1910-13	7·41	7·41	17·62	17·62	5·70	5·70	— 6·49	—6·49

— Denotes decrease.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY FOR THE COMMONWEALTH, 1861-1914.

Heading.		Years.						
		1861.	1871.	1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1914.†
Population	Males	669,373	928,918	1,247,059	1,736,617	2,004,836	2,377,920	2,551,431
	Females	498,776	771,970	1,059,677	1,504,368	1,820,077	2,190,787	2,389,521
	Total	1,168,149	1,700,888	2,306,736	3,240,985	3,824,913	4,568,707	4,940,952
Births	No.	48,908	63,625	80,004	110,187	102,945	122,193	137,983
	Rate	42.28	38.00	35.26	34.47	27.16	27.21	28.05
Deaths	No.	20,061	22,175	33,327	47,430	46,330	47,869	51,720
	Rate	17.34	13.24	14.69	14.84	12.22	10.66	10.51
Marriages	No.	10,000	11,623	17,244	23,862	27,753	39,482	43,311
	Rate	8.64	6.94	7.60	7.47	7.32	8.79	8.80
Agriculture—								
Wheat	Area, acs.	704,431	1,279,778	3,002,064	3,335,528	5,115,965	7,427,834	10,321,328
	Yld., bshl.	10,236,549	11,917,741	21,443,862	25,675,265	38,561,619	95,111,983	103,344,132
	Av. „	14.53	9.31	7.14	7.70	7.54	9.64	2.41
Oats	Area, acs.	129,738	225,492	194,816	246,129	461,430	616,857	
	Yld., bshl.	3,090,982	4,251,630	4,795,897	5,726,256	9,789,854	9,561,833	
	Av. „	23.82	18.85	24.62	23.27	21.22	15.50	
Barley	Area, acs.	27,093	48,164	75,864	68,068	74,511	116,466	
	Yld., bshl.	507,879	726,158	1,353,380	1,178,560	1,519,819	2,056,836	
	Av. „	18.75	15.08	17.84	17.31	20.40	17.68	
Maize	Area, acs.	61,178	142,078	165,777	284,428	294,849	340,065	
	Yld., bshl.	1,799,862	4,576,635	5,726,266	9,261,922	7,034,786	8,939,855	
	Av. „	29.18	32.21	34.54	32.56	23.86	26.29	
Hay	Area, acs.	222,003	303,274	763,388	942,166	1,688,402	2,518,288	2,570,801
	Yld., tons	298,184	375,871	767,194	1,067,255	2,024,608	2,867,973	1,302,593
	Av. „	1.34	1.24	1.00	1.13	1.20	1.14	0.51
Potatoes*	Area, acs.	47,338	67,911	76,265	112,884	109,685	130,463	
	Yld., tons	147,610	212,896	243,216	380,477	322,524	301,489	
	Av. „	3.12	3.13	3.19	3.37	2.94	2.31	
Sugar Cane§	Area, acs.	..	11,576	19,708	45,444	86,950	101,010	174,795
	Yld., tons	..	176,632	349,627	737,573	1,367,802	1,682,250	2,104,239
	Av. „	..	15.25	17.74	16.23	15.73	16.65	
Vineyards	Area, acs.	7,010	16,253	14,570	48,882	63,677	60,602	
	Wine, gal.	495,000	2,104,000	1,488,000	3,535,000	5,816,087	4,975,147	
Total value of all agricultural production		£ ..	8,941,000	15,519,000	16,480,000	23,835,000	38,773,678	
Pastoral, dairying, &c.—								
Live Stock	Sheep, No.	20,980,123	40,072,955	65,092,719	106,421,068	72,040,211	93,003,521	82,032,723
	Cattle „	3,846,554	4,277,228	8,010,991	11,112,112	8,491,428	11,828,954	11,131,373
	Horses „	431,695	701,530	1,088,029	1,584,737	1,620,420	2,279,027	2,499,983
	Pigs „	319,147	586,017	703,188	845,888	931,309	1,110,721	
Wool prod., lb. greasy		..	179,000,000	332,759,000	631,587,000	543,131,661	721,298,288	711,134,203
Butter production, lbs.		†	†	†	47,433,564	101,671,066	211,573,745	
Cheese „		†	†	†	19,146,929	11,575,692	15,886,712	
Bacon and ham „		†	†	†	†	34,020,629	53,264,652	
Total estimated value of pastoral and dairying production		£ ..	20,736,000	29,538,000	39,256,000	36,890,000	69,832,000	
Mineral production—								
Gold	.. £	9,950,000	7,239,106	5,194,390	5,281,861	14,005,732	10,551,624	8,710,471
	Silver and lead .. £	5,702	29,488	31,139	3,717,825	2,367,687	3,021,284	
Copper	.. £	458,768	824,111	673,786	362,745	2,208,590	2,564,278	
	Tin .. £	11,937	18,597	1,145,603	560,750	432,576	1,209,973	
Zinc	.. £	..	..	..	2,622	4,057	1,415,169	
	Coal .. £	228,935	325,747	636,746	1,908,028	2,602,770	3,929,673	
Total value of all mineral production		£ 10,657,533	8,484,728	7,813,523	12,093,837	22,043,104	23,480,211	
Forestry production—								
Quantity of local timber sawn or hewn sup. ft.		†	†	†	†	452,131,252	591,645,786	
Manufactories—†								
No. of factories ..		..	..	..	..	..	14,455	
Hands employed No.		..	..	..	..	..	311,772	
Wages paid .. £		..	..	..	..	..	27,531,876	
Total value of output £		..	..	..	..	..	133,022,090	
Value added in process of manufacture £		..	..	..	..	..	54,017,714	

* Partly estimated 1861, 1871 and 1881.

† Owing to variation in classification and lack of information effective comparison is impossible.

‡ Information not available.

§ Area of productive cane.

¶ Information so far as at present available.

Statistical Summary for the Commonwealth, 1861–1914—continued.

Heading.	Years.						
	1861.	1871.	1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1914.
Shipping—							
Oversea vessels { No. ent. and cleared { tons	2,466 1,149,476	2,748 1,312,642	3,284 2,549,364	3,778 4,726,307	4,028 6,541,991	4,174 9,984,801	3,326 10,380,386
Commerce—							
Imports oversea .. £	17,651,000	17,017,000	29,067,000	37,711,000	42,434,000	66,967,488	73,945,664
" per head	£15 5s. 2d.	£10 3s. 3d.	£12 16s. 2d.	£11 16s. 0d.	£11 3s. 11d.	£14 18s. 3d.	£15 0s. 6d.
Exports oversea .. £	17,413,000	21,725,000	27,528,000	36,043,000	49,696,000	79,482,258	67,360,588
" per head	£15 1s. 1d.	£12 19s. 6d.	£12 2s. 8d.	£11 5s. 6d.	£13 2s. 2d.	£17 14s. 1d.	£13 13s. 10d.
Total oversea trade £	35,064,000	38,742,000	56,595,000	73,754,000	92,130,000	146,449,746	141,306,252
" per head	£30 6s. 3d.	£23 2s. 9d.	£24 18s. 10d.	£23 1s. 6d.	£24 6s. 1d.	£32 12s. 4d.	£28 14s. 6d.
Customs and excise duties .. £	..	..	4,809,326	7,440,869	8,656,530	13,515,005	15,072,689
Customs and excise duties, per head	..	..	£2 2s. 5d.	£2 6s. 7d.	£2 5s. 8d.	£3 0s. 2d.	£3 1s. 4d.
Principal Oversea Exports*—							
Wool { lbs. (greasy) £	60,367,492 5,005,799	176,635,820 9,459,629	328,369,169 13,173,026	619,259,753 19,940,029	518,018,134 15,237,454	722,364,903 26,071,193	470,933,213 18,375,303
Wheat { bushels £	87,249 24,041	799,924 193,732	5,364,653 1,189,762	9,794,791 1,938,864	20,260,058 2,774,643	55,147,840 9,641,608	52,878,122 9,996,514
Flour { tons £	7,602 113,172	12,938 170,415	49,549 519,635	33,363 328,423	96,814 589,604	175,891 1,391,529	174,217 1,495,557
Butter { lbs. £	664,160 21,692	1,812,688 45,813	1,298,758 39,383	4,239,494 206,863	34,607,397 1,451,168	101,722,136 4,637,362	56,162,547 2,655,372
Skins and hides .. £	180,292	100,123	316,878	873,695	1,250,938	3,227,236	4,146,003
Tallow .. £	148,201	914,278	644,149	571,069	677,745	1,936,599	1,897,466
Meats .. £	37,575	566,780	362,965	460,894	2,611,244	4,307,273	9,088,617
Timber (undressed) £	32,367	42,586	118,117	38,448	731,301	1,023,960	2,185,010
Gold .. £	9,957,056	7,184,833	6,445,365	5,703,532	14,315,741	12,045,766	3,224,720
Silver and lead .. £	4,237	37,891	57,954	1,932,278	2,250,253	3,224,720	2,349,443
Copper .. £	381,718	598,538	676,515	417,687	1,619,145	2,349,443	1,061,127
Coal .. £	63,061	134,355	361,081	645,972	986,957	900,622	1,061,127
Govt. Railways—							
Length of line open, mls.	205	970	3,832	9,541	12,577	16,075	18,328
Capital cost .. £	6,654,516	19,269,786	42,741,350	99,764,090	123,587,000	152,896,000	178,956,000
Gross revenue .. £	318,823	1,102,650	3,910,122	8,654,085	11,038,000	17,848,000	21,982,000
Working expenses £	234,040	608,332	2,141,735	5,630,182	7,149,000	11,054,000	15,050,000
Per cent. of working expenses on earnings %	73.41	55.17	54.77	65.06	64.76	61.94	66.47
Postal—							
Letters and postcards dealt with .. No.	12,844,000	24,382,000	67,640,000	157,297,000	220,853,000	453,975,000	520,518,000
Letters and postcards dealt with, per head, No.	11.13	14.54	29.61	49.07	58.26	101.1	105.84
Newspapers dealt with, No.	9,603,000	13,336,000	38,063,000	85,280,000	102,727,000	139,604,000	136,195,000
Newspapers dealt with, per head, No.	8.32	7.95	16.66	26.61	27.10	31.04	27.69
Cheque-paying banks—							
Note circulation .. £	2,970,357	2,456,487	3,978,711	4,417,269	3,406,175	†876,428	287,308
Coin and bullion held £	4,662,415	6,163,869	9,108,243	16,712,923	19,737,572	30,024,225	35,137,225
Advances .. £	18,261,129	26,039,573	57,732,824	129,741,583	89,167,499	108,854,230	115,509,210
Deposits .. £	13,817,435	21,856,959	53,849,455	98,345,338	90,965,530	143,446,910	163,854,555
Savings banks—							
Number of depositors	27,877	100,713	250,070	614,741	964,553	1,600,112	2,143,805
Total deposits .. £	1,320,739	3,193,285	7,854,480	15,536,592	30,882,645	59,393,682	84,005,014
Average per depositor, £	£47 7s. 7d.	£31 14s. 2d.	£31 8s. 2d.	£25 5s. 6d.	£32 0s. 4d.	£37 2s. 4d.	£39 3s. 8d.
Average per head of population ..	18s. 8d.	£1 18s. 9d.	£3 10s. 5d.	£4 18s. 7d.	£8 4s. 0d.	£13 8s. 5d.	£17 1s. 4d.
State schools—							
Number of schools	1,864	2,502	4,494	6,231	7,012	8,060	
Teachers .. No.	2,471	4,641	9,028	12,564	14,500	16,971	
Enrolment ..	106,049	236,710	432,320	561,153	638,478	638,850	
Average attendance ..	73,446	137,767	255,143	350,773	450,246	463,799	

* Australian produce, except gold, which includes re-exports.

† Decrease, due to issue of Australian notes.

SUMMARY OF LATEST STATISTICAL DATA, COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

Item.	1908.	1910.	1911.	1912.	1913.
Population, 31st Decem-ber	4,232,278	4,425,083	4,568,707	4,733,359	4,872,059
Births	111,545	116,801	122,193	133,088	135,714
Births, per 1,000 persons	26·59	26·73	27·21	28·65	28·25
Marriages	32,551	36,592	39,482	42,147	41,594
Marriages, per 1,000 persons	7·76	8·37	8·79	9·07	8·67
Area in cultivation	9,353,902	10,972,299	11,893,838	12,107,017	13,038,049
Area under wheat	5,383,911	6,586,236	7,372,456	7,427,834	7,339,651
Wheat produced	44,655,673	90,413,597	95,111,983	71,636,347	91,981,070
Sheep	87,043,266	92,047,015	93,003,521	83,263,686	85,057,402
Wool produced (in the grease)	642,184,282	..	721,298,288	726,408,625	648,851,913
Wool produced	24,366,000	..	28,078,000	26,711,000	26,658,000
Wool exported (equi-valent in grease)	613,663,263	743,447,069	722,364,903	683,570,121	660,474,075
Wool exported	22,913,660	28,777,187	26,071,193	26,325,378	26,277,062
Butter produced	145,317,357	193,425,606	211,573,745	187,194,161	198,758,238
Butter produced	6,774,695	8,519,812	9,523,900	9,536,500	9,017,500
Fruit produced	2,786,910	3,496,187	3,945,851	4,444,637	4,437,886
Minerals produced	24,580,303	23,215,191	23,480,211	25,629,238	25,807,557
Factories—					
Hands employed	257,494	286,963	311,772	327,456	337,101
Wages paid	19,884,367	23,870,540	27,531,876	31,287,492	33,606,087
Value of output	(a) 96,661,631	120,860,158	133,022,090	148,775,407	161,560,763
Production of Common-wealth — estimated value of	164,957,000	187,734,000	188,581,000	206,732,000	218,199,000
Railways, Government—					
Miles open	14,657	15,464	16,075	16,755	17,632
Gross Revenue	14,303,635	16,042,096	17,847,843	19,100,995	19,954,073
Passenger journeys	160,041,000	182,290,000	202,639,000	228,483,000	249,856,000
Employees	51,762	58,619	67,953	77,663	83,494

Item.	1914.	Actual Increase.		Rate of Increase.	
		1908-11.	1911-14.	1908-11.	1911-14.
Population, 31st Decem-ber	4,940,952	336,429	372,245	% 7·95	% 8·15
Births	137,983	10,638	15,790	9·54	12·92
Births, per 1,000 persons	28·05	0·62	0·84	2·33	3·09
Marriages	43,311	6,931	3,829	21·29	9·70
Marriages, per 1,000 persons	8·80	1·03	0·01	13·26	0·12
Area in cultivation	14,683,012	2,539,936	2,790,174	27·15	23·46
Area under wheat	9,287,398	1,988,545	1,914,942	36·94	25·98
Wheat produced	103,344,132	50,456,310	8,232,149	113·00	8·65
Sheep	82,032,723	5,960,255	-10,970,798	6·85	11·78
Wool produced (in the grease)	711,134,203	79,114,006	-10,164,085	12·32	-1·40
Wool produced	28,588,000	3,712,000	510,000	15·23	1·82
Wool exported (equi-valent in grease)	470,933,213	108,701,640	-251,431,690	17·71	-34·81
Wool exported	18,375,303	3,157,533	-7,705,890	13·78	-29·55
Butter produced	(b)	66,256,388	(b)	45·60	(b)
Butter produced	(b)	2,749,205	(b)	40·58	(b)
Fruit produced	4,617,303	1,158,941	671,452	41·58	17·02
Minerals produced	(b)	-1,100,092	(b)	-4·48	(b)
Factories—					
Hands employed	(b)	54,278	(b)	21·08	(b)
Wages paid	(b)	7,647,509	(b)	38·46	(b)
Value of output	(b)	36,361,459	(b)	37·62	(b)
Production of Common-wealth — estimated value of	(b)	23,624,000	(b)	14·32	(b)
Railways, Government—					
Miles open	18,328	1,418	2,253	9·67	14·02
Gross Revenue	21,981,534	3,544,208	4,133,691	24·78	23·16
Passenger journeys	265,921,000	42,598,000	37,438,000	26·62	16·39
Employees	89,369	16,191	21,416	31·28	31·53

(a) Excluding Tasmania. (b) Not yet available.

Summary of Latest Statistical Data, Commonwealth of Australia—continued.

Item.	1908.	1910.	1911.	1912.	1913.
Imports .. £	49,799,273	60,014,351	66,967,488	78,158,600	79,749,653
Imports (per head) .. £ s. d.	11 17 5	13 14 8	14 18 3	16 16 7	16 12 0
Exports .. £	64,311,058	74,491,150	79,482,258	78,830,639	78,571,769
Exports (per head) .. £ s. d.	15 6 8	17 0 10	17 14 1	17 0 7	16 17 2
Banks, Ordinary—					
Deposits, 30th June £	113,694,388	129,891,136	143,446,910	149,806,597	149,827,568
Advances, 30th June £	98,192,329	97,840,927	108,854,230	119,248,209	113,481,448
Banks, Savings—					
Depositors .. No.	1,335,920	1,483,573	1,600,112	1,736,000	1,934,312
Depositors (per 1,000 persons) .. No.	319	340	357	374	403
Deposits .. £	46,147,472	53,117,498	59,393,682	66,956,778	75,248,203
Deposits (per depositor) .. £ s. d.	34 10 10	35 16 1	37 2 4	38 11 4	38 18 0
Deposits (per inhabitant) .. £ s. d.	11 1 9	12 5 8	13 8 5	14 8 4	15 13 4
Commonwealth Revenue £	15,019,034	15,540,669	18,806,237	20,548,520	21,907,084
Commonwealth Expenditure (d) .. £	6,162,129	7,499,516	13,158,529	14,723,965	16,262,496
Commonwealth Defence Expenditure—					
Naval (e) .. £	504,069	323,141	1,456,021	1,595,605	1,560,984
Military (e) .. £	721,440	1,049,902	1,218,942	1,736,508	1,953,141
Other (f) .. £	109,235	162,362	331,063	749,735	832,180
Total .. £	1,334,744	1,535,405	3,006,026	4,081,848	4,346,305
States' Revenue (g) .. £	34,867,646	36,956,812	37,365,653	41,278,034	43,032,445
States' Expenditure .. £	32,502,163	35,373,254	37,249,315	40,858,581	43,818,322

Item.	1914.	Actual Increase.		Rate of Increase.	
		1908-11.	1911-14.	1908-11.	1911-14.
Imports .. £	(c) 73,945,664	17,168,215	6,978,176	% 34·47	% 10·42
Imports (per head) .. £ s. d.	(c) 15 0 6	3 0 10	0 2 3	25·63	0·75
Exports .. £	(c) 67,360,588	15,171,200	12,121,670	23·59	15·25
Exports (per head) .. £ s. d.	(c) 13 13 9	2 7 5	4 0 4	15·46	22·69
Banks, Ordinary—					
Deposits, 30th June £	163,854,555	29,752,522	20,407,645	26·17	14·23
Advances, 30th June £	115,509,210	10,661,901	6,654,980	10·86	6·11
Banks, Savings—					
Depositors .. No.	2,143,805	264,192	543,693	19·78	33·98
Depositors (per 1,000 persons) .. No.	436	38	79	11·91	22·13
Deposits .. £	84,005,014	13,246,210	24,611,331	28·70	41·44
Deposits (per depositor) .. £ s. d.	39 3 8	2 11 6	2 1 4	7·45	5·57
Deposits (per inhabitant) .. £ s. d.	17 1 4	2 6 8	3 12 11	21·05	27·17
Commonwealth Revenue £	21,740,423	3,787,203	2,934,186	25·22	15·60
Commonwealth Expenditure (d) .. £	16,878,328	6,996,400	3,719,799	113·54	28·27
Commonwealth Defence Expenditure—					
Naval (e) .. £	1,882,776	951,952	426,755	188·84	29·31
Military (e) .. £	2,255,386	497,502	1,036,444	68·96	85·03
Other (f) .. £	914,573	221,828	583,510	203·08	176·27
Total .. £	5,052,735	1,671,282	2,046,709	125·24	68·09
States' Revenue (g) .. £	47,269,040	2,498,007	9,903,387	7·16	26·50
States' Expenditure .. £	46,561,905	4,747,152	9,312,590	14·61	25·00

(c) Preliminary figures.—(d) Excluding subsidy paid to States.—(e) Distribution of Defence Expenditure is approximate only; contributions to Trust Funds are included.—(f) Administration and General.—(g) Including Commonwealth subsidy.

RELIGIOUS CENSUS OF THE WORLD.

Religion.	Europe.	Asia.	Africa.	North America.	South America.	Oceanea.	Total.
Christians—							
Roman Catholic ..	183,760,000	5,500,000	2,500,000	36,700,000	36,200,000	8,200,000	272,860,000
Eastern Churches ..	98,000,000	17,200,000	3,800,000	1,000,000			120,000,000
Protestant Church	93,000,000	6,000,000	2,750,000	65,000,000	400,000	4,500,000	171,650,000
Total Christians..	374,760,000	28,700,000	9,050,000	102,700,000	36,600,000	12,700,000	564,510,000
Non-Christians—							
Jews ..	9,250,000	500,000,000	400,000,000	2,000,000	30,000,000	25,000,000	12,205,000
Mohammadan ..	3,800,000	142,000,000	51,000,000	15,000	10,000	25,000,000	221,825,000
Buddhist..	..	138,000,000	11,000	..	..	20,000	138,031,000
Hindu ..	..	210,000,000	300,000	100,000	110,000	30,000	210,540,000
Confucianists and Taoists ..	..	300,000,000	30,000	100,000	..	700,000	300,830,000
Shintoists ..	..	25,000,000	..	..	..	..	25,000,000
Animists ..	..	42,000,000	98,000,000	20,000	1,250,000	17,000,000	158,270,000
Unclassified ..	1,000,000	6,000,000	130,000	8,000,000	..	150,000	15,280,000
Total Non-Christian	14,050,000	863,500,000	149,871,000	10,235,000	1,400,000	42,925,000	1,081,981,000
Total ..	388,810,000	892,200,000	158,921,000	112,935,000	38,000,000	55,625,000	1,646,491,000

TOTAL CROPS OF UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, CANADA AND AUSTRALIA.

	Wheat.	Barley.	Oats.	Maize.	Corn.
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
Canada, 1913.. ..	216,007,629	73,867,992	396,858,191	*22,800,014	..
" 1914.. ..	161,280,000	36,201,000	313,078,000	..	..
Commonwealth of Australia, 1913	103,344,132	3,920,425	15,232,048	9,171,971	..
United States of America, 1912	730,267,000	†	1,418,337,000	..	3,124,746,000
" " " 1913	763,380,000	178,189,000	1,121,768,000	..	2,446,988,000
" " " 1914	891,017,000	194,953,000	1,141,060,000	..	2,672,804,000

* Ontario and Quebec only. † Not available.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.—CORN CROP OF 1915 COMPARED WITH 1914.

	Yield.	
	1st October.	Change from 1914 Final.
	Bushels.	Bushels.
Corn	3,026,159,000	+ 353,355,000
All Wheat ..	1,002,029,000	+ 111,012,000
Winter Wheat ..	656,866,000	— 28,124,000
Spring Wheat ..	345,163,000	+ 139,136,000
Oats ..	1,517,478,000	+ 376,418,000
Barley ..	236,682,000	+ 41,729,000
Rye ..	44,000,000	+ 1,000,000
Flax ..	17,655,000	+ 2,096,000
Rice ..	26,251,000	+ 2,902,000
Buckwheat ..	16,738,000	+ 143,000
Tobacco (lbs.) ..	*1,098,804,000	+ 64,125,000
White Potatoes ..	368,151,000	— 37,770,000
Sweet Potatoes ..	64,800,000	+ 8,226,000
Apples (bbls.) ..	71,632,000	— 12,768,000
Sugar Beet (tons) ..	6,158,000	+ 870,000

* Ten year average.

MERCANTILE TONNAGE OF THE WORLD, 1914-15.

Countries.	Steamers.		Sailing.		Total.	
	No.	Tonnage.	No.	Tonnage.	No.	Tonnage.
United Kingdom	8,587	18,892,089	653	364,677	9,240	19,256,766
British Dominions	1,536	1,631,617	552	156,666	2,088	1,788,283
Total British	10,123	20,523,706	1,205	521,343	11,328	21,045,049
United States of America ..	1,757	4,330,078	1,417	1,038,116	3,174	5,368,194
Austro-Hungarian	433	1,052,346	12	3,373	445	1,055,719
Danish	576	770,430	246	49,751	822	820,181
French	1,025	1,922,286	551	397,152	1,576	2,319,438
German	2,090	5,134,720	298	324,576	2,388	5,459,296
Greek	407	820,861	78	16,007	485	836,868
Italian	637	1,430,475	523	237,821	1,160	1,668,296
Japanese*	1,103	1,708,386	..	..	1,103	1,708,386
Netherlands	709	1,471,710	97	24,745	806	1,496,455
Norwegian	1,656	1,957,353	535	547,369	2,191	2,504,722
Russian	747	851,949	507	201,869	1,254	1,053,818
Spanish	589	883,926	58	14,897	647	898,823
Swedish	1,088	1,015,364	378	102,722	1,466	1,118,086
Turkish	142	116,317	60	16,841	202	133,158
All others	1,362	1,413,970	427	189,093	1,789	1,603,063
Grand Total	24,444	45,403,877	6,392	3,685,675	30,836	49,089,552

* Sailing vessels not recorded at Lloyd's.

GOLD SUPPLY OF BANK OF ENGLAND.

1915.

Nov. 10—Gold coin and bullion	£55,192,000
„ 17— „ „ „ „	£53,413,000

EUROPEAN ISSUE OF PAPER MONEY.

Country.	Date.	Amount.	Amount in £.
Great Britain	1915, Nov. 17	..	33,014,000
France	1915, Feb. 25	..	438,478,766
Germany	1915, March 31	..	281,201,300
Russia*	1915, March 29	Roubles† 3,260,000,000	308,842,098
Italy	1914, Jan. 1	Lire§ †2,782,579,545	110,294,495
Austria-Hungary	1912	Crown|| 2,815,797,400	117,324,901
Belgium	1914, March 19	..	38,320,840

* Circulation authorized note issue.

† Including 499,070,695 lire State notes.

‡ Rouble = £·09473684 = 2s. 1½d.

§ Lire = £·039637 = 9·513d.

|| Crown (Austrian) = £·0416667 = 10d.

GOLD PRODUCTION OF THE WORLD.

Year.	Quantity in Fine Ounces.	Value.
	Fine Ounces.	£
1900	12,262,190	52,086,440
1905	18,140,900	77,057,592
1910	22,110,113	93,917,736
1913	21,988,672	93,401,897

LARGER WORKS AND SERVICES UNDER GOVERNMENT CONTROL, DIRECT AND INDIRECT; OR SUBSIDIZED BY GOVERNMENT.

D. denotes direct; I. indirect; S. subsidized; P. private; Cth. Commonwealth; St. State; Dpt. Department; N. Terr. Northern Territory; Fed. Terr., Federal Territory.

Service.	Direct, Indirect, &c. Commonwealth or State.	Service.	Direct, Indirect, &c. Commonwealth or State.
Aborigines, care of ..	I., St.; D., Cth. in Northern Territory	Immigration ..	D. and I., Cth. and S.
Advertising, National ..	D., Cth. and St.	Industry Regulation ..	D. and I., Cth. and S.
Agriculture and Live Stock Dpt.	D., St.	Industry, Rural, Development ..	I. and S., St.
Agriculture in N. Terr. ..	D., Cth.	Inebriates, Care of ..	D., St., and P.
Aid (temporary) ..	D., I., and S., St.	Infant Life Protection ..	D., St.
Astronomical Observation ..	D., St.	Insane, Care of ..	D., St., also P. (licensed)
Audit ..	D., Cth. and St.	Insolvency, Official Accounting ..	D., St.
Banking ..	D., Cth. (D., formerly in Q'd.); also P.	Intelligence Bureau ..	D., Cth. and St.
Banks, Savings ..	D., Cth.; I., St.	Irrigation ..	D. and I. St.
Brickmaking ..	D., St.	Land Settlement ..	D. and I. St., also P.
Cemeteries ..	I., St.	Land Survey ..	D., St.
Census taking ..	D., Cth.	Lands and Waterways ..	D., St.
Charitable Services ..	D., I., and S., St.	Law, Administration ..	D., Cth. and St.
Children, Care of Needy ..	D., I., and S., St.	Law, Drafting ..	D., Cth. and St.
Clothing Manufacture ..	D., Cth.	Leather Manufacture ..	D., Cth.
Cordite Manufacture ..	D., Cth.	Libraries, Museums, Art Galleries, &c.—	
Crime Prevention ..	D., St.	Larger ..	Dual (D., I.), St.
Customs and Excise ..	D., Cth.	Smaller ..	I. and S., St.
Deceased Persons, Care of Estates of	D., St.	Licences ..	D., St.
Defence Training—		Licences Reduction ..	I., St.
Naval and Military ..	D., Cth.	Literary, Scientific, &c., Culture	S., St., also P.
Physical ..	D., St. for Cth.	Machinery Inspection ..	D., St.
Defence Works—		Manufacturing—	
Construction of Australian Fleet Unit	D., Cth.	Harness, Saddlery, and Leather ..	D., Cth.
Erection of Land Defences	D., Cth.	Clothing ..	
Drainage ..	D. and I., St.	Woollen Mills ..	
Education—		Cordite ..	
Kindergarten ..	D., S., St., also P.	Small Arms ..	
Primary ..	D., St., also P.	Shipbuilding ..	D., St.
Continuation ..	D., St.	Brickmaking ..	D., St.
Education—		Marine Inquiry ..	I., St.
Secondary ..	D., S., St., also P.	Marine Survey ..	D., St.
Trade ..	D., I., S., also P.	Marriages, State Performance of	D., St.
Technical—Lower ..	D., I., S., St., also P.	Medical Supervision of Prisoners, Insane, &c.	D., St.
Higher ..	D., I., S., St., also P.	Medical Inspection of School Children	D., St.
Professional ..	S., St.	Metecrology ..	D., Cth.
Art ..	D., I., S., St., also P.	Mines Inspection ..	D., St.
Electoral ..	D., Cth. and St.	Mining—	
Employment Bureau ..	D., St.	Coal ..	D. and S., St.; generally P.
Explosives and Powder Magazines	D., St.	Gold ..	S., St.; generally P.
Factories and Shops Inspection, including Inspection of Machinery	D., St.	Mint ..	D. (Imperial Government)
Finance and Taxation ..	D. and I., Cth. and St.	Municipal Works ..	I., S., St.
Fire Extinction ..	I., St.	Nationalization ..	D., Cth.
Fisheries ..	D., Cth. and St.	Old-age and Invalid Pensions, and War Pensions	D., Cth.
Fisheries and Game ..	D., St.	Patents ..	D., Cth.
Food, Pure ..	D., St.; dual (D., I.), St.	Police ..	D., St.
Forestry ..	D., St., and Cth. in N. Terr. and Fed. Terr.	Ports and Harbors ..	D., St., also P.
Friendly Societies ..	I. (actuarial and legal supervision), St.	Posts, &c. ..	D., Cth.
Gaols and Penal Establishments (including trades, &c., carried on therein)	D., St.	Printing, &c. ..	D., Cth. and St.
Geological Survey ..	D., St.	Probate and Administration, Intestacy	D., St.
Government—		Properties, Regulation of	I., St.
General ..	D., Cth. and St.	Property-owning (see also Hotel)	D., Cth. in W.A., including Hotel; D. and I., St.; D., Cth. in Federal Territories
Administrative ..	D., Cth. and St.	Public Service Control ..	D., Cth. and St.
Local ..	I., St.	Public Works, Erection and Maintenance	D. and I., Cth. and St.
Harness Manufacture ..	D., Cth.	Quarantine ..	D., Cth.
Health—			
General ..	Dual (D., I.), St.		
Local ..	I., St.		
Tropical Medicine ..	D., Cth.		
Hotel, Housing, &c. ..	D., St.		

**Larger Works and Services under Government Control, Direct and Indirect;
or Subsidized by Government—*continued.***

Service.	Direct, Indirect, &c. Commonwealth or State.	Service.	Direct, Indirect, &c. Commonwealth or State.
Railways	D., St.; D., Cth. in N. Terr. and Fed. Terr.; also 2,198 miles P.	Small Arms Manufacture ..	D., Cth.
Records, Historical, &c. ..	D., Cth. and St.	Special Inquiries ..	D. and I., Cth. and St.
Recreation (Parks, Gar- dens, &c.) ..	D., I., S., Cth. and St.	Stamp Printing ..	D., Cth. and St.
Records, Historical, &c. ..	D. and I., Cth. and St.	Statistics ..	D., Cth. and St.
Reformatories, Training Ships, &c. ..	D., St.	Sugar Refining (Beet) ..	D., St.
Registration—		Telegraphs ..	D., Cth.
(a) Instruments ..	D., St.	Telephones ..	D., Cth.
(b) Births, Marriages, and Deaths ..	D., St.	Timber Storage and Season- ing ..	D., Cth. and St.
(c) Land Transactions, Titles, &c. ..	D., St.	Tourist Bureaux ..	D., St.
Roads, Bridges, &c. ..	D. and I., St.	Trade (Subsidy to Steam Service) (see also Bounties, <i>infra</i>) ..	S., St.
Saddlery Manufactures ..	D., Cth.	Trade Marks ..	D., Cth.
Sanitation ..	D. and I., St.	Tramways ..	D., St.; generally P.
Sewerage ..	I., St.	Tramways—Supervision of Private Companies and of Facilities, &c. ..	I., St.
Sheriff ..	D., Cth. and St.	Wages Regulation ..	D. and I., Cth. and St.
Shipbuilding ..	D., St. and Cth., also P.	Water Supply ..	I., St.
Shipping, Navigation, Pilot- age, Seamanship ..	I., St.	"Wireless" ..	D., Cth.
		Woollen Manufacture ..	D., Cth.
		Year-Book ..	D., Cth. and St.
		Bounties (see attached List) ..	S., Cth.

COMMONWEALTH TREASURY STATEMENT.

THE HON. W. G. HIGGS, TREASURER.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF NET POST OFFICE REVENUE, NOVEMBER, 1915.

State.			November, 1914.	November, 1915.	For the Five Months ended—	
					30th November, 1914.	30th November, 1915.
			£	£	£	£
New South Wales	..	..	136,781	151,665	703,563	765,600
Victoria	..	..	64,634	117,305	503,324	528,875
Queensland	..	..	49,168	52,375	279,307	291,875
South Australia	..	..	56,398	26,916	179,088	177,533
Western Australia	..	..	23,473	27,579	136,196	140,681
Tasmania	..	..	11,158	13,784	67,629	69,986
Northern Territory	..	..	8	207	263	456
Total	..	..	341,620	389,831	1,869,370	1,975,006
			Increase, £48,211		Increase, £105,636	

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF NET CUSTOMS REVENUE, NOVEMBER, 1915.

State.			November, 1914.	November, 1915.	For the Five Months ended—	
					30th November, 1914.	30th November, 1915.
			£	£	£	£
New South Wales	..	..	442,097	589,263	3,023,265	3,129,568
Victoria	..	..	288,186	396,038	1,813,324	1,966,800
Queensland	..	..	95,720	161,490	700,210	676,890
South Australia	..	..	70,638	89,057	399,511	381,726
Western Australia	..	..	53,120	71,703	363,176	360,097
Tasmania	..	..	12,392	16,158	91,583	97,924
Northern Territory	..	..	1,714	1,615	5,912	8,385
Total	..	..	963,867	1,325,324	6,396,981	6,621,390
			Increase, £361,457		Increase, £224,409	

AUSTRALIAN NOTES.

STATEMENT ISSUED IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 11 OF THE "AUSTRALIAN NOTES Act 1910."

The number and amount of Australian Notes issued and not redeemed at this date are as follows :—

Denomination.						Number.	Amount.
10/-.	..	..	..	..	..	2,078,864	1,039,432
£1	..	..	..	..	..	9,270,030	9,270,030
£5	..	..	..	..	..	1,086,487	5,432,435
£10	..	..	..	..	..	207,774	2,077,740
£20	..	..	..	..	..	26,571	531,420
£50	..	..	..	..	..	24,172	1,208,600
£100	..	..	..	..	..	15,461	1,546,100
£1,000	..	..	..	..	..	19,628	19,628,000
Total						12,728,987	£40,733,757

The amount of gold coin held by the Treasurer for the purposes of the Act at this date is £14,115,129 10s.

**STATEMENT OF WAR PENSIONS CLAIMED, GRANTED, ETC., AS AT
26th NOVEMBER, 1915.**

State.	Pensions claimed.	Pensions granted.	Deaths.	Cancel- lations.	Rejections.	Annual Liability.
New South Wales	1,172	665	..	1	132	£ 21,213
Victoria ..	1,916	951	2	3	233	29,725
Queensland ..	481	230	..	2	73	7,271
South Australia	331	182	1	2	62	4,973
Western Australia	343	231	..	..	66	7,852
Tasmania ..	176	98	..	1	20	2,798
Total ..	4,419	2,357	3	9	586	73,832

**STATEMENT OF INVALID PENSIONS GRANTED, ETC., AS AT
26th NOVEMBER, 1915.**

State.	Granted.	Rejected.	Deaths.	Cancel- lations.	In course.
New South Wales	10,971	2,526	2,066	626	136
Victoria	8,831	1,935	2,046	332	110
Queensland	3,577	997	636	262	23
South Australia	2,212	432	493	124	5
Western Australia	1,234	279	201	40	51
Tasmania	1,972	347	403	108	61
Total	28,797	6,516	5,845	1,492	386
Granted .. ..	..	..	..	28,797	
Less Deaths .. ..	..	..	5,845		
Cancellations .. ..	..	..	1,492		
				7,337	
Pensions in force .. ..	..	..	..	21,460	

STATEMENT OF OLD-AGE PENSIONS GRANTED, ETC., AS AT
26th NOVEMBER, 1915.

State.	Granted.	Rejected.	Deaths.	Cancel- lations.	In course.
New South Wales	50,915	4,847	15,457	2,265	205
Victoria	44,395	2,106	13,907	1,833	174
Queensland	18,585	2,742	4,928	1,691	65
South Australia	13,409	834	3,660	523	13
Western Australia	5,772	606	1,339	151	40
Tasmania	6,837	384	1,939	272	63
Total	139,863	11,519	41,230	6,735	560

Granted	139,863
Less Deaths	41,230
Cancellations	6,735
	<u>47,965</u>
Pensions in force	<u>91,898</u>

STATEMENT OF MATERNITY ALLOWANCE CLAIMS GRANTED FROM
1st JULY TO 30th NOVEMBER.

State.	1913-14.	1914-15.	1915-16.
New South Wales	21,689	23,270	22,010
Victoria	15,329	15,780	14,899
Queensland	8,192	8,443	8,566
South Australia	5,400	5,463	4,911
Western Australia	3,986	3,920	3,778
Tasmania	2,573	2,620	2,516
Total	57,169	59,496	56,680

COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA.

DENISON S. K. MILLER, Governor.

JAMES KELL, Deputy-Governor.

GENERAL BANKING DEPARTMENT.—Opened 20th January, 1913.

NEW SOUTH WALES.

Sydney (Head Office)	..	..	Temporary Premises, Stanway House, King-street, E. W. Hulle, Manager.
Albury	..	..	Dean-street, J. R. Stewart, Manager.
Broken Hill	..	..	Argent-street, T. A. Game, Manager.
Dubbo	..	..	Macquarie-street, P. J. Comans, Manager.
Lismore	..	..	Molesworth-street, C. J. Ledger, Manager.
Liverpool Depôt, A.I.F.	..	..	S. P. A. Butler, Manager.
Newcastle	..	..	Hunter and Newcomen streets, G. A. Ball, Manager.
Orange	..	..	Summer-street, E. H. Wilkinson, Manager.
Tamworth	..	..	Peel-street, J. B. Newman, Manager.
Wagga Wagga	..	..	Fitzmaurice-street, K. E. Barnett, Manager.
Federal Territory, Canberra	..	..	F. C. S. Ireland, Manager.

VICTORIA.

Melbourne	..	..	Equitable Building, Collins-street, M. B. Young, Manager.
Ballarat	..	..	Sturt and Lydiard streets, F. E. Thom, Manager.
Broadmeadows Depôt, A.I.F.	..	..	J. S. Hocking, Manager.
Geelong	..	..	Post-office Buildings, Ryrie and Gheringhap streets, M. S. Calder, Manager.

QUEENSLAND.

Brisbane	..	..	Queen-street, J. S. Scott, Manager.
Bundaberg	..	..	Bourbon-street, R. G. F. Pollard, Manager.
Maryborough	..	..	Kent-street, T. H. Slatyer, Manager.
Rockhampton	..	..	East-street, H. R. H. Jordan, Manager.
Toowoomba	..	..	Ruthven-street, L. D. Dixon, Manager.
Townsville	..	..	Flinders-street, C. R. Wood, Manager.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

Adelaide	..	..	King William-street, John Black, Manager.
Port Augusta	..	..	Commercial-road, H. J. Spier, Manager.
Port Pirie	Ellen and David streets, E. H. Waddy, Manager.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

Perth	St. George-terrace, E. C. Riddle, Manager.
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TASMANIA.

Hobart	Elizabeth-street, A. S. Douglas, Manager.
Launceston	Brisbane-street, W. N. Kelman, Manager.

UNITED KINGDOM.

London	36-38 New Broad-street, C. A. B. Campion Manager.
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Since the last appearance of the "Digest" in May, 1913, 19 new Branches of the Bank have opened, making a total of 28 at the present time. This includes two Branches—one at Liverpool Dépôt, A.I.F., and one at Broadmeadows Dépôt, A.I.F.—which have been established primarily for the purpose of providing additional facilities for members of the Australian Imperial Expeditionary Forces. These facilities are briefly set out on a subsequent page. Arrangements are also well in hand for the opening of additional Branches at Bendigo, in Victoria, on 15th December, and at Port Adelaide, in South Australia, and Kalgoorlie, in Western Australia, early in January next, whilst other important centres are also receiving attention with a view to opening Branches in the near future.

HEAD OFFICE PREMISES.

On the 14th May, 1913, work having sufficiently progressed in connexion with the new Head Office premises under construction at the corner of Pitt and Moore streets, Sydney, steps were taken to set the two foundation stones. In the presence of a large gathering of members of both Federal and State Houses of Parliament and influential citizens, the Prime Minister, the Right Hon. Andrew Fisher, P.C., M.H.R., set the first stone with a gold trowel which was handed to him for the purpose by Ald. A. A. Cocks, M.L.A., Lord Mayor of Sydney. A similar trowel was handed to Mr. Denison Miller, Governor of the Bank, by Hon. J. S. P. McGowen, M.L.A., Premier of New South Wales, with which the second stone was set.

Notwithstanding the war, which has necessarily interfered to some extent with the work, good progress has been made, and it is expected that the building will be ready for occupation early in the second quarter of 1916.

In addition to the Bank Staff—General and Savings—provision is being made for several of the Commonwealth Government Departments to be housed there.

AMENDMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH BANK ACT.

On the 21st December, 1914, the *Commonwealth Bank Act* 1911 was amended to provide, *inter alia*, for the Bank purchasing all or any of the assets of a corporation carrying on the business of banking, and for the transfer of its business and liabilities to the Bank, payment to be made by debentures or cash, or both, or such other manner as might be agreed upon. The capital which the Bank was authorized to raise was also increased from one to ten million pounds. Provision was in addition made for the extension of the Bank's business to any part of the King's Dominions, and for the transfer of Savings Banks constituted under the laws of a State, wholly or in part, to the Bank.

GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTS.

The whole of the Banking business of the State Governments of Tasmania, Western Australia, and South Australia has also been transferred to the Commonwealth Bank, and, in addition to this, the Bank has ever since its inception conducted the whole of the Banking Business of the Commonwealth wherever a Branch of the Bank exists.

RATES OF BUSINESS.

With regard to rates of business, the Bank has continued right throughout the war period to conduct business on normal lines and at normal rates, the rate charged being 6 per cent. for overdraft accommodation on advances to the general public; whilst advances to churches, charities, and societies, &c., who do not distribute

their profits amongst shareholders, have been kept at 5 per cent., and advances have been made to Municipalities and Government bodies at $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. The rates allowed on fixed deposits have also been kept unaltered, such rates being:—

For 6 months' deposits	..	..	2 per cent. per annum.
For 12 months' deposits	..	..	3 " "
For 24 months' deposits or over	..	..	$3\frac{1}{2}$ " "

whilst in the Savings Bank Department the rate of interest of 3 per cent. on monthly balances up to £300 has likewise been maintained.

FLOTATION OF SOUTH AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT LOANS IN LONDON.

Owing to the fact that the South Australian Government had Loans in London, approximating £2,000,000, falling due in the early part of 1916, it became necessary for a Conversion Loan to be issued for the purpose of redeeming maturing Stock. The issue of the Loan was placed in the hands of the Commonwealth Bank, and the prospectus was made public in London on the 27th October, 1915. The issue was made at £99, with interest at 5 per cent. The result of the issue was that the amount asked for—£2,000,000—was fully subscribed, and, in commenting thereon on the 9th November, the *London Times* stated that South Australia had reason to be proud of the success she had achieved at a time very unpropitious to borrowers.

It may be mentioned that, simultaneously with the issue of this Loan, the Bank of England, on behalf of the British Government, increased the rate for twelve months' Treasury Bills to 5 per cent., returning investors $5\frac{1}{4}$ per cent., and, in view of this, the success of the South Australian issue is notable.

Arrangements have also been made by the South Australian Government for the Commonwealth Bank to take over the management of their Stock Inscription business in London, which had hitherto been conducted by the Government direct.

STAFF.

The Bank, in common with other Banks, has felt the drain on the Staff through numbers of the members of the Staff volunteering for active service, more especially as the business of the Commonwealth Bank is rapidly expanding, and the additional work brought about by the issue of War Loans and other special features is also felt.

BANKING FACILITIES FOR MEMBERS OF THE FORCES.

With the object of making all possible facilities available to members of the Expeditionary Forces, the Bank has made special arrangements with its agents abroad, and has also opened Branches at Liverpool Depôt, A.I.F., in New South Wales, and Broadmeadows Depôt, A.I.F., in Victoria, and will open similar Branches at the Depôts in the other States as the necessity arises. In order that the soldiers may be made fully acquainted with the facilities offered, and so that there may be no misunderstandings as to the arrangements necessary to be made by the men before leaving, various leaflets have been issued by the Bank, giving full particulars of the facilities available and arrangements necessary, and these have been distributed broadcast in all the camps, and have also been sent to various hospitals, &c., abroad where the Australian soldiers are located. The facilities which have been made available to soldiers in this way include the opening of accounts in either the Savings Bank Department or the General Banking Department, into which allotments of pay can be made during the absence of a member of the Forces, and can be operated upon either by a representative in Australia, or, alternatively, the money as received can be made available in

London, so that, should the depositor require it whilst abroad, he can obtain it from London by the most expeditious means through the Bank's agents, with whom special arrangements have been made at Cairo, Alexandria, and Malta, and will be extended to other places as may become necessary.

Complete arrangements have also been made for forwarding amounts to London, Cairo, Alexandria, Malta, &c., by either draft or cable, as may be desired, and arrangements which have been made by the Bank with the Pacific Cable Board enable free cables to be sent to London when remitting to wounded soldiers, and the Bank in turn charges no exchange on any such remittances up to £25. Cable remittances to wounded soldiers in Great Britain can therefore be forwarded by relatives and friends absolutely free of cost, and to foreign parts the cost of cable is reduced to a minimum, and no exchange is charged. These facilities have been fully appreciated by the public.

To overcome any difficulties or doubts which may arise as to the authenticity of cabled requests for money received from soldiers, special arrangements have been come to that such amounts will only be paid over in foreign parts on satisfactory identification by the Commanding Officer or Paymaster. In London a special Department of the Bank has been created to attend to the wants of Australian soldiers in England and abroad, and arrangements have been made for the principal hospitals where the Australian soldiers are located to be visited by Bank officers.

COMMONWEALTH WAR LOANS.

The issue of the first Commonwealth War Loan of £5,000,000 was placed in the hands of the Bank, the result being that the total subscriptions were £13,389,440, and the total number of subscribers 18,746, which were distributed amongst the various States as follows :—

State.					Number of Subscribers.	Amount Applied for.
						£
New South Wales	..	..	..	..	5,173	5,503,200
Victoria	..	..	..	..	8,824	5,231,330
Queensland	..	..	..	..	2,006	1,184,170
South Australia	..	..	..	..	1,546	875,750
Western Australia	..	..	..	..	547	235,180
Tasmania	..	..	..	..	650	359,810
					18,746	13,389,440

Of the total amount, applications were lodged direct with the Commonwealth Bank—either by the public or by stockbrokers—amounting to £9,553,710, whilst applications came through the Associated Banks to the extent of £2,965,830. The amount of applications lodged with the various post-offices throughout the Commonwealth was £454,750, and through the State Savings Banks £415,150. Although only £5,000,000 was asked for, the amount of all subscriptions were allotted in full. The expenses of the flotation were kept at a minimum, the total cost of the issue to the Government being approximately only 5s. 1d. per cent., and this covered not only the cost of the actual flotation, including advertising, printing, &c., but also commission to the Commonwealth Bank for handling the issue and for attending to the payment of interest and final redemption of the Loan after a period of ten years. The Bank also assisted the Commonwealth Treasury to carry out the arrangement under which the Associated Banks agreed to lodge £10,000,000 in gold with the Government in exchange for notes, the object of the transaction being to assist the Government in the conduct of the war.

Since the date on which subscriptions to the first issue closed—31st August—a further War Loan Act has passed through the Commonwealth Parliament, authorizing the raising of an additional amount of £18,000,000, and further issues will therefore be made at an early date.

AUSTRALIAN NOTES AGENCY.

The work of distributing and handling the Australian Notes Issue in various States, other than Victoria, was on the 1st October, 1914, handed over to the Commonwealth Bank of Australia, which has, since that date, acted as agent for the Commonwealth Treasury in this connexion.

BALANCE-SHEET.

The total figures of the Bank, as shown in the last published balance-sheet, 30th June, 1915, amounted to £16,768,465 15s. The initial balance of Profit and Loss Account, brought about by the expense of the establishment, has been more than covered, and a credit balance is now held in the Reserve Fund and Redemption Fund.

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES.

On the 15th November, 1915, there were 27 Branches, 2,179 Post-office Agencies, and 384 additional offices for the receipt of deposits throughout the Commonwealth, and one Branch in London. These include agencies on the warships of the Australian Squadron and at Military Camps.

SAVINGS BANK BUSINESS.

Despite the war crisis, the progress of this section of the Bank has been steadily maintained. For the half-year ended 30th June last the deposits increased by £1,342,255, while the number of accounts during the same period increased by 35,552.

The following summary gives particulars of the Savings Bank business in the various States as on 30th September last:—

State.					Number of Accounts open on 30th September, 1915.	Depositors' Balances.		
						£	s.	d.
New South Wales	..	..	..	..	67,031	2,160,138	3	2
Victoria	..	..	..	..	47,787	2,001,194	3	2
Queensland	..	..	..	..	38,763	1,391,543	5	10
South Australia	..	..	..	..	13,733	565,358	1	5
Western Australia	..	..	..	..	18,406	550,698	15	1
Tasmania	..	..	..	..	36,737	993,880	16	1
Northern Territory	..	..	..	..	819	51,757	7	10
Papua	..	..	..	..	157	8,149	2	11
London	..	..	..	..	855	50,800	2	5
					224,288	7,773,519	17	11

ELECTORAL ADMINISTRATION.

SENATOR THE HON. E. J. RUSSELL, MINISTER IN CHARGE.

R. C. OLDHAM, CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER.

PROPOSED CO-OPERATION WITH STATES IN ELECTORAL MATTERS.

At the Inter-State Conference of State Ministers (Premiers' Conference), held in Sydney in May last, it was resolved :—

“That steps be taken to secure electoral roll uniformity between Commonwealth and State.”

In pursuance of the foregoing resolution, a conference of representatives of the State Electoral Administrations was convened by the Premier of the State of New South Wales, which the Chief Electoral Officer for the Commonwealth was invited to attend.

The conference was held at Sydney on the 5th to 10th, and 12th to 15th July, 1915, inclusive, for the purpose of evolving a workable system of co-operation as between the Commonwealth and the various States in respect of all matters incidental to the enrolment of electors for the Commonwealth Parliament and the State Houses of Assembly, and the preparation, printing, and maintenance of rolls of such electors.

The following representatives constituted the Conference, viz. :—

Commonwealth of Australia ..		Mr. R. C. Oldham, Chief Electoral Officer for the Commonwealth.
		Mr. J. G. McLaren, Commonwealth Electoral Officer for the State of New South Wales.
New South Wales ..		.. Mr. G. H. S. King, Under Secretary, Chief Secretary's Department, and Chief Electoral Officer (Chairman).
		Mr. S. J. Pinnington, Principal Electoral Registrar.
Victoria ..	..	.. Mr. J. Molloy, Chief Electoral Officer.
Queensland ..	..	.. Mr. R. J. Cole, Principal Electoral Registrar.
South Australia ..	..	.. Mr. C. L. Mathews, Returning Officer for the State.
Western Australia ..	..	.. Mr. E. G. Stenberg, Chief Electoral Officer.

The Conference, after careful consideration of the details of the electoral systems now in operation in the several States, arrived unanimously at resolutions outlining a course which in its opinion would secure the most satisfactory results.

The resolutions, which have been arranged under the following heads, viz. :—

1. Basis of Co-operation.
2. Harmonizing Franchise Conditions.
3. Residence Qualifications.
4. Nature of Terms to be used when referring to Residence Qualifications.
5. Form and Design of Roll.
6. Enrolment and Adjustment of Rolls.
7. Determination of Objections to Enrolment.
8. Action necessary to establish Co-operation.
9. Extent of Administration by Regulation.

10. Appointment and Remuneration of Registrars.
11. Assimilation of powers of Chief Electoral Officers.
12. Position of State Chief Electoral Officers.
13. Transfer of Officers.
14. Allocation of Expenditure.

are as follow :—

1. BASIS OF CO-OPERATION.

1. That co-operation by the Commonwealth and the several States in the matter of the preparation, printing, and maintenance of joint electoral rolls, which shall serve the purposes of the Commonwealth and each State House of Assembly, is practicable and eminently desirable in the furtherance of public convenience, electoral efficiency, and economy.

2. That the safest and most suitable system of co-operation may be arranged on the basis of the adoption of Uniform Registration Units in the form of Subdivisions so designed as to form sections of the State Electoral Districts, and not to overlap the boundaries of the Commonwealth Electoral Divisions, provided—

- (a) That all operations in regard to enrolment, including a uniform qualifying period of residence of one month for subdivisional enrolment, and all adjustments of the rolls shall be based upon the registration units mutually agreed upon ; and
- (b) That in any scheme of re-distribution (Commonwealth or State) regard should be had to the then existing subdivisional boundaries to the fullest extent practicable.

2. HARMONIZING FRANCHISE CONDITIONS.

That the Governments of the Commonwealth and of each of the States be invited to consider the desirableness of securing the maximum degree of harmonization consistent with public policy in regard to the popular franchise conditions prevailing throughout the Commonwealth.

NOTE.—It is obviously desirable to limit, to the fullest practicable extent, the necessity for the use in the joint roll of distinguishing marks indicating the restriction of an electors' right to enrolment to the Commonwealth only, or to the State only, as the case may be, and the removal, so far as is consistent with public policy, of the variations at present existing in the franchise conditions would consequently contribute to the smoother working of a co-operative system.

3. RESIDENCE QUALIFICATIONS.

That it be represented to each State Government that it is desirable in the interests of co-operation and simplicity that the residence condition attached to qualifications for the State franchise might be as follows :—

- Six months' continuous residence in the Commonwealth ;
- Three months' residence in the State immediately preceding enrolment ;
- One month's residence in the Subdivision immediately preceding claim for enrolment ; or
- One month's residence in the Electoral District, if not subdivided, immediately preceding claim for enrolment.

NOTE.—The Commonwealth law provides for six months' residence in Australia, and one month's residence in the Subdivision, immediately preceding claim for enrolment.

4. NATURE OF TERMS TO BE USED WHEN REFERRING TO RESIDENCE QUALIFICATION.

That in order to avoid possible technical and administrative complications under a system of co-operation, it is suggested that an agreement might be reached as between the Commonwealth and the States as to the uniform adoption in the several Electoral Statutes of the terms "live" and "place of living," or the terms "reside" and "place of residence," as applied to the franchise and to the conditions of enrolment.

NOTE.—The Commonwealth Electoral Act, and the Acts of Western Australia and Tasmania, contain the words "live" and "place of living," whilst the Acts of New South Wales, Victoria, South Australia and Queensland, contain the words "reside" and "place of residence."

5. FORM AND DESIGN OF ROLL.

That the several joint rolls should—

- (a) As regards form and design accord with the rolls used by the Commonwealth, Victoria, Western Australia, and Tasmania;
- (b) Be published with maps and descriptions of Subdivision boundaries attached;
- (c) Contain on each title page a statement of the postal address of the Registrar;
- (d) Provide for the symbols "M" and "F" to indicate the sexes of the electors enrolled;
- (e) Provide for the insertion of the word "Single" or "Married" or "Widow" in the case of such female elector who follows no definable occupation.
- (f) Contain distinguishing marks, with explanatory footnotes, to indicate electors who are enrolled for the Commonwealth only or for the State only; and
- (g) Be printed as far as practicable within the States concerned, and by the Government Printers for those States.

6. ENROLMENT AND ADJUSTMENT OF ROLLS.

That for the purpose of maintaining the joint rolls in a state of constant preparedness and up-to-dateness, the official resources of the Commonwealth and each State, adaptable to this end, should, by special arrangement, be persistently, methodically, and continuously utilized, and if necessary, supplemented by the appointment of special electoral inspectors.

NOTE.—The course suggested is essential—

- (a) Owing to the migratory nature of the population;
- (b) Owing to the fact that Commonwealth elections or State elections or referenda may be expected to occur at frequent intervals; and
- (c) In order to secure the due observance of the law under a system of compulsory enrolment.

7. DETERMINATION OF OBJECTIONS TO ENROLMENT.

That in the purification of rolls objections be continuously determined by each Divisional Returning Officer within the scope of his electoral jurisdiction, subject to an appeal by any aggrieved person to a Court of Summary Jurisdiction.

NOTE.—Experience has demonstrated that the holding of Revision Courts at fixed intervals for determining objections to the retention of names on the rolls serves no good purpose, being not only a cumbersome and costly procedure, but also a cause of undue delay in the printing and issuing of rolls.

8. ACTION NECESSARY TO ESTABLISH CO-OPERATION.

In order to give effect to co-operation in regard to electoral enrolment, it is essential—

- (1) That, subject to the decision of the Commonwealth and State Governments on questions of policy, amending legislation be passed and brought into operation on a date to be proclaimed, dealing with the points considered by the Conference, and other essential matters incidental to the satisfactory working of a co-operative system, including enabling provisions similar to those contained in Section 30 of the Commonwealth Electoral Act.
- (2) That a formal agreement between the Commonwealth and each State be made on the lines of that adopted by the Commonwealth and the State of Tasmania.
- (3) That combined regulations be made by the Commonwealth and each State dealing with common procedure and forms incidental thereto.
- (4) That the necessary statutory officers to give effect to the Joint Agreement be appointed.
- (5) That the Commonwealth and State electorates be subdivided by mutual agreement for enrolment purposes.
- (6) That instructions be agreed to and signed by the Commonwealth Chief Electoral Officer and the State Chief Electoral Officer for the guidance of statutory officers acting on behalf of both Governments under the Acts and regulations.
- (7) That a combined proclamation on the lines adopted by the Commonwealth and the State of Tasmania be issued by the Governor-General of the Commonwealth and the Governor of each State requiring the Commonwealth Electoral Officer and the State Chief Electoral Officer to prepare and issue an electoral roll containing such distinguishing marks as may be necessary for the purpose of indicating electors who are enrolled thereon respectively for the Commonwealth only and the State only.
- (8) That all persons entitled to have their names included in the joint roll, and who have not already signed claims for enrolment on the Commonwealth roll, should be required to complete and sign claims for enrolment, and that thereafter no additions to such roll should be made except in pursuance of duly completed claims ; and
- (9) That a single card should be adopted to serve the purposes of—
 - (a) Commonwealth and State enrolment ;
 - (b) Commonwealth enrolment only ;
 - (c) State enrolment only ;

as the case may require.

9. EXTENT OF ADMINISTRATION BY REGULATION.

That in the amending legislation for the purpose of giving effect to a system of co-operation, provision should be made to enable matters of administration, not involving question of policy, to be, as far as practicable, prescribed by regulation.

NOTE.—It frequently occurs that where matters of a purely administrative character are detailed in the Act, the Electoral administration becomes unable for prolonged periods to adapt itself to changing conditions which, although of relatively minor importance, cannot be met by regulation, and consequently cause public irritation and official embarrassment pending legislation.

10. APPOINTMENT AND REMUNERATION OF REGISTRARS.

1. That in any system of co-operation it is expedient that the appointment of registrars should be uniformly subject to the recommendation of the Chief Commonwealth and State Electoral Officers; that all appointments should be made by the Commonwealth and State Ministers concerned; and further, that the Divisional Returning Officers should act as Electoral Registrars for Subdivisions or Electoral Districts for which no Registrars have been appointed.

2. That for the purpose of the appointment of joint Electoral Registrars under the provisions of the Commonwealth and State Electoral Acts, selections should be made impartially from the permanent services of the Commonwealth and the States, where suitable officers are available.

3. That Registrars who are not wholly employed as permanent officers of the Electoral administration, or are not otherwise remunerated for the work of registration, should be paid for their services in accordance with a schedule approved by the Commonwealth and the State Government concerned, but so that the rate of such remuneration shall, as far as practicable, be uniform throughout the Commonwealth.

4. That in the appointment and remuneration of Registrars, due regard shall be had to conditions existing on the initiation of co-operation, in so far as they affect individual Registrars employed in any State.

11. ASSIMILATION OF POWERS OF CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICERS.

That one of the desirable elements in the maintenance of a successful system of co-operation between the Commonwealth and the States is, the endowment of the Chief Electoral Officers for the States with powers in relation to the administrative provisions of the State Statutes similar to those exercised by the Chief Electoral Officer for the Commonwealth in respect of the Commonwealth Statute.

12. POSITION OF STATE CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICERS.

That it is desirable, in order to insure that the system outlined by the Conference shall be truly co-operative, that there should be, in each State, a State Chief Electoral Officer, who may, or may not, as the Government decides, combine other duties with his electoral functions, and who shall be in a position—

- (a) To confer as occasion arises with the Commonwealth Chief Electoral Officer in matters of procedure;
- (b) To keep in personal touch with the Commonwealth Electoral Officer for the State; and
- (c) To act as expert adviser to his Government for the purposes of the conduct of State Elections and other matters arising under the provisions of the State Electoral Act.

13. TRANSFER OF OFFICERS.

That upon the introduction of a system of co-operation it should be arranged by the Commonwealth and each State that such Officers of the permanent Public Service as are at that time exclusively engaged on electoral work shall, without loss of status or diminution of salary, either be suitably provided for in the State Service or be employed by the Commonwealth.

14. ALLOCATION OF EXPENDITURE.

That in order to secure a satisfactory system in regard to expenditure under co-operation, and to avoid unnecessary bookkeeping and the complications

inseparable from the keeping of detailed accounts, the following course be recommended for the consideration of the Commonwealth and State Governments :—

- (1) That the Commonwealth should meet the cost of maintaining the Central Commonwealth Electoral Offices and the Offices of the Divisional Returning Officers in the several States, except in relation to expenditure under the following heads, which should be shared equally by the Commonwealth and the States, viz. :—
 - (a) Temporary clerical assistance necessarily employed in the joint interest in connexion with the preparation and maintenance of the joint rolls ;
 - (b) The printing and binding of principal rolls and the paper therefor ;
 - (c) The printing of books, forms, &c., used for joint electoral purposes and the material therefor ;
 - (d) Expenditure actually incurred in any cases in which it is necessary to make specific payments, under an approved schedule, to Electoral Registrars appointed for the purposes of joint registration.
- (2) That the State should make available the services of the police in the joint interest for the purposes of electoral inquiries and canvasses, subject only to such special allowances to individual police officers in the form of extra remuneration as may be agreed upon, which extra remuneration should be a joint charge.
- (3) That the cost of preparing, printing, and binding supplemental rolls and lists of names removed from the rolls issued for the purposes of a general election or a by-election should be borne by the Government immediately concerned.

No consideration was given to the question of the conduct of elections, it being fully realized that the control of, and financial responsibility for the conduct of any election should be exclusively reserved to the Government concerned.

Following upon the general conference held in Sydney, the representatives of the State of Victoria (Mr. John Molloy) and the State of Western Australia (Mr. E. G. Stenberg) conferred with the Chief Electoral Officer for the Commonwealth (Mr. R. C. Oldham) in regard to the legislative amendments in the State or Commonwealth Acts necessary to give effect as far as those are concerned to the resolutions passed by the Conference, subject to the decision of the Governments concerned in regard to matters of policy affecting the franchise, and it is understood that these proposed amendments will shortly receive consideration.

ISSUE OF WRITS FOR THE REFERENDUMS.

Writs were issued by the Governor-General on the 2nd November, 1915, for the submission to the electors of proposed laws for the Alteration of the Constitution, entitled :—

- Constitution Alteration (Trade and Commerce) 1915 ;
- Constitution Alteration (Corporations) 1915 ;
- Constitution Alteration (Industrial Matters) 1915 ;
- Constitution Alteration (Trusts) 1915 ;
- Constitution Alteration (Railway Dividends) 1915 ;
- Constitution Alteration (Nationalization of Monopolies) 1915 ;
- Constitution Alteration (Senators' Term of Service) 1915 ;

but were withdrawn by the Governor-General by proclamation, dated the 17th day of November, 1915, under the provisions of the Referendum (Constitution Alteration) Act (No. 2) 1915.

CANCELLATION OF ARRANGEMENTS FOR TAKING THE POLL.

The general arrangements for taking the poll on the 11th December next had proceeded satisfactorily, and the printing and issue of pamphlets containing Arguments For and Against the proposed laws were well in hand, when all operations in connexion with the holding of the Referendums were stopped owing to the announcement in Parliament by the Prime Minister of an offer by the Premiers of the several States to grant the powers (with certain limitations) asked for in the proposed laws, and of the acceptance of the offer by the Government. Communications were issued to all concerned directing the suspension of further action and the cancellation of arrangements.

REPRINTING OF ROLLS.

The principal rolls for all the Divisions of the Commonwealth were reprinted between the beginning of August and the middle of October in anticipation of Referendums being held on the 11th December, 1915, and a Supplemental Roll, containing the names of electors enrolled between the dates on which the Principal Rolls were sent to the printer and the date of the issue of the writs for the Referendums, were prepared for the printer prior to the withdrawal of the writs.

The enrolment in each State as at the 2nd November, 1915, the date of the issue of the writs, was as follows:—

State.	Enrolment.
New South Wales	1,045,847
Victoria	811,720
Queensland	363,131
South Australia	258,057
Western Australia	167,272
Tasmania	106,829
COMMONWEALTH	<hr/> 2,752,856 <hr/>

The number of alterations in the Rolls during the past twelve months has exceeded 2,000,000, and represents change of address of close upon 1,000,000 electors.

COMPULSORY VOTING AT THE REFERENDUMS.

An Act "to provide for Compulsory Voting at the Referendums which are submitted to the Electors during the Year 1915," was passed by the Federal Parliament, and Regulations providing the machinery for the operation of the Act have been drafted. Owing, however, to the suspension of the Referendums, the Act will not have any force or effect.

BY-ELECTION FOR THE DIVISION OF WIDE BAY.

Consequent upon the resignation of the Rt. Hon. Andrew Fisher, Prime Minister, of his seat as the Member of the House of Representatives for the Division of Wide Bay, the Speaker issued a writ on the 2nd November, 1915, for the election of a Member for the Division.

The date fixed for the nomination of candidates was the 17th November, 1915. The following candidates were nominated:—

Edward Bernard Cresset Corser, Merchant,
Andrew Thompson, Farmer.

The polling will be held on Saturday, the 11th December, 1915. The writ is returnable on or before Saturday, the 16th January, 1916.

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF COMMONWEALTH ELECTORAL OFFICERS AND DIVISIONAL RETURNING OFFICERS.

Division.	Chief Polling Place.	Divisional Returning Officer.	Location of Office.
STATE OF NEW SOUTH WALES.			
Commonwealth Electoral Officer—J. G. McLaren, Customs House, Sydney.			
Barrier ..	Broken Hill ..	P. Robinson ..	Bank of Australasia Chambers, Argent-street, Broken Hill
Calare ..	Orange ..	G. T. Dumont ..	Summer-street, Orange
Cook ..	Newtown ..	E. E. Cupit ..	Town Hall, Newtown
Cowper ..	Grafton ..	T. H. Wall ..	Victoria-street, Grafton
Dalley ..	Rozelle ..	H. E. Preston ..	Mechanics' Institute, Rozelle
Darling ..	Dubbo ..	W. Merrion ..	Dubbo
East Sydney	Castlereagh-street	J. Metcalf ..	127 King-street, Sydney
Eden-Monaro	Cooma ..	W. Walters ..	Vale-street, Cooma
Gwydir ..	Narrabri ..	J. McGrath ..	Maitland-street, Narrabri
Hume ..	Albury ..	N. E. Litchfield ..	Lands Office, Dean-street, Albury
Hunter ..	West Maitland	S. F. Colman ..	High-street, West Maitland
Illawarra ..	Wollongong ..	C. M. Black ..	Savings Bank, Crown-street, Wollongong
Lang ..	Petersham ..	A. T. McShane ..	Town Hall, Petersham
Macquarie ..	Bathurst ..	R. R. Golsby ..	Savings Bank, William-street, Bathurst
Nepean ..	Granville ..	F. Townsend ..	School of Arts, Good-street, Granville
Newcastle ..	Newcastle ..	J. E. Stewart ..	Clack's Chambers, Bolton-street, Newcastle
New England	Armidale ..	C. F. M. Travers ..	Armidale
North Sydney	North Sydney	A. Williams ..	Woods' Buildings, Mount-street, North Sydney
Parkes ..	Ashfield ..	W. E. Grainger ..	Town Hall, Ashfield
Parramatta ..	Parramatta ..	L. G. Beattie ..	Hunter Chambers, George-street, Parramatta
Richmond ..	Lismore ..	J. E. McDonogh ..	A.M.P. Buildings, Magellan-street, Lismore
Riverina ..	Junee ..	J. Newman ..	Junee
Robertson ..	Mudgee ..	E. Hume ..	A.B.C. Buildings, Market-street, Mudgee
South Sydney	Redfern ..	F. J. Clarke ..	Regent-street, Redfern
Wentworth ..	Waverley ..	W. N. Rowse ..	173 Oxford-street, Bondi Junction, Waverley
Werriwa ..	Goulburn ..	B. G. McKeon ..	Government Savings Bank, Montagu-street, Goulburn
West Sydney	Lang ..	M. J. D. Page ..	211 George-street, Sydney

STATE OF VICTORIA.

Commonwealth Electoral Officer—R. H. Lawson, Masonic Hall, 31 Collins-street, Melbourne.

Balaclava ..	Balaclava ..	M. M. Fowles ..	369 High-street, St. Kilda
Ballaarat ..	Ballarat ..	W. N. Whidburn	City Hall, Sturt-street, Ballarat
Batman ..	Fitzroy South	C. G. Lake ..	117 King William-street, Fitzroy
Bendigo ..	Bendigo ..	G. J. C. Maxwell ..	London Bank Chambers, 6 Forrest-street, Bendigo
Bourke ..	Brunswick South	J. C. Jessop ..	360 Sydney-road, Brunswick
Corangamite ..	Warrnambool	J. Dunn ..	Timor-street, Warrnambool
Corio ..	Geelong ..	H. R. Way ..	Post Office, Geelong
Echuca ..	Echuca ..	W. Black ..	Post Office, Echuca
Fawkner ..	Prahran ..	R. S. Thomas ..	Post Office, Prahran
Flinders ..	Dandenong ..	W. J. Field ..	Lonsdale-street, Dandenong
Gippsland ..	Sale ..	G. W. Terrell ..	Post Office, Sale
Grampians ..	Maryborough	E. E. Allen ..	Maryborough
Henty ..	Malvern ..	W. H. L. Loughrey	Tivoli Theatre, Glenferrie-road, Malvern
Indi ..	Beechworth ..	W. L. Darlison ..	Camp-street, Beechworth
Kooyong ..	Glenferrie ..	O. B. H. Root ..	Burwood-road, Hawthorn

Names and Addresses of Commonwealth Electoral Officers and Divisional Returning Officers—*continued.*

Division.	Chief Polling Place.	Divisional Returning Officer.	Location of Office.
STATE OF VICTORIA— <i>continued.</i>			
Maribyrnong	Moonee Ponds	S. Polglaze ..	527 Mount Alexander-road, Moonee Ponds
Melbourne ..	Latrobe ..	C. E. A. Miller ..	Masonic Chambers, 31 Collins-street, Melbourne
Melbourne.	Port Melbourne	R. B. Anderson ..	Town Hall, Port Melbourne
Ports			
Wannon ..	Hamilton ..	C. H. G. Anderson	Post Office, Hamilton
Wimmera ..	Warracknabeal	J. A. Bowe ..	Warracknabeal
Yarra ..	Richmond North	F. W. Parkinson	183 Bridge-road, Richmond

STATE OF QUEENSLAND.

Commonwealth Electoral Officer—R. H. Allars, Desmond Chambers, Brisbane.

Brisbane ..	Brisbane ..	E. A. McCullagh ..	Desmond Chambers, Brisbane
Cairncornia ..	Rockhampton	W. J. Smout ..	Customs House, Rockhampton
Darling Downs	Toowoomba ..	J. Wilson ..	Southern Cross Hall, Toowoomba
Herbert ..	Townsville ..	J. Craig ..	Townsville
Kennedy ..	Charters Towers	J. Rollston. ..	Bow-street, Charters Towers
Lilley ..	Albion ..	G. E. Driver ..	Sandgate-road, Albion
Maranoa ..	Charleville ..	J. Cameron ..	Charleville
Moreton ..	Ipswich ..	W. B. Cumming ..	Lands Office, Ipswich
Oxley ..	South Brisbane	W. T. Mott ..	Kelly's Buildings, Stanley-street, South Brisbane
Wide Bay ..	Maryborough	W. H. Graham ..	Naval Drill Hall, Maryborough

STATE OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

Commonwealth Electoral Officer—O. H. Stephens, Selborne Chambers, Pirie-street, Adelaide.

Adelaide ..	Adelaide ..	G. P. Howie ..	Selborne Chambers, Pirie-street, Adelaide
Angas ..	Gawler ..	H. W. Hilton ..	Carlton-road, Gawler
Barker ..	Glenelg ..	F. S. Andrews ..	Glenelg
Boothby ..	Unley ..	I. Roach ..	Unley-road, Unley
Grey ..	Petersburg ..	A. G. Davis ..	Jervois-road, Petersburg
Hindmarsh ..	Port Adelaide	F. Sowton ..	Lipson and Divett streets, Port Adelaide
Wakefield ..	Koorunga ..	G. Horner ..	Commercial-street, Koorunga

STATE OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

Commonwealth Electoral Officer—J. E. Cathie, St. George's House, St. George's-terrace, Perth.

Dampier ..	Geraldton ..	A. C. Twine ..	Wainwright's Buildings, Geraldton
Fremantle ..	Fremantle ..	R. H. Bandy ..	Princess Chambers, Market-street, Fremantle
Kalgoorlie ..	Kalgoorlie ..	J. Roberts ..	Exchange Buildings, Hannan-street, Kalgoorlie
Perth ..	Perth ..	J. Kniep ..	St. George's House, St. George's-terrace, Perth
Swan ..	Bunbury ..	H. C. Adams ..	Victoria and Stephens streets, Bunbury

STATE OF TASMANIA.

Commonwealth Electoral Officer—S. Irwin, Customs House, Hobart.

Bass ..	Launceston East (Albert Hall)	W. R. Lisbey ..	Customs House, Launceston
Darwin ..	Zeehan ..	J. W. Gatty ..	Council Chambers, Zeehan
Denison ..	Hobart East	F. A. McDonald ..	Commonwealth Audit Office, Hobart
Franklin ..	Lindisfarne ..	A. G. Brammall ..	Supreme Court, Hobart
Wilmot ..	Deloraine ..	A. R. Cooke ..	Deloraine

METEOROLOGICAL BUREAU.

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The following is a Progress Report of the work of the Meteorological Bureau since the date of last report:—

DAILY WEATHER SERVICE.

Daily and Monthly Rainfall Maps distributed from the Central Office	..	2,968
Bulletins : Victoria, Inter-State, and River Height Reports	..	8,532
Daily Weather Charts	..	10,342

(Similar Charts, Maps, and Bulletins have also been distributed from each Divisional Office.)

Number of Specific Weather and Ocean Forecasts issued	..	827
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VERIFICATION OF FORECASTS.

Percentage verified for each State and for the Commonwealth for the months of July, August, and September, and for previous months:—

State.	July.	August.	September.	90 months previous to July.
Western Australia	84·0	86·0	86·4	87·0
South Australia	83·4	86·5	84·0	86·3
Queensland	88·5	88·5	88·1	88·6
New South Wales	90·8	86·5	88·0	88·3
Victoria	84·1	87·5	87·5	87·4
Tasmania	79·6	86·6	86·5	84·4
Ocean Forecasts	83·0	82·8	88·4	85·1
Commonwealth	84·8	86·3	87·0	86·7

NEW STATIONS ESTABLISHED.

Sixty-four new Rain Stations have been established (36 in Western Australia, 13 in South Australia, 3 in Queensland, 7 in New South Wales, 1 in Victoria, and 4 in Tasmania), and 4 stations have been closed. One new Climatological Station has been started in New South Wales.

INSTRUMENTS ISSUED BY THE CENTRAL BUREAU.

Thermometers (ordinary)	..	..	..	..	2
„ (maximum)	..	..	..	..	3
„ (minimum)	..	..	..	..	5
„ (solar)	..	..	..	..	1
„ (aspirator)	..	..	..	..	3
Barometers	..	..	..	..	1
Barographs	..	..	..	..	9
Thermographs	..	..	..	..	6
Rain Gauges (ordinary)	..	..	..	..	77
„ „ (tropical)	..	..	..	..	2

Instruments Issued by the Central Bureau—*continued*.

Rain Measures	..	..	..	..	164
Hygrographs	..	..	..	..	1
Thermometer Screens	..	..	..	..	6
Wind Vanes	..	..	..	..	41
Clinometers	..	..	..	..	2
Sunshine Recorder	..	..	..	..	1
Pluviograph	..	..	..	..	1
Anemometers	..	..	..	..	8
Anemographs	..	..	..	..	8
Forecast Flags	..	..	..	..	4

PUBLICATIONS.

The Australian Monthly Weather Report.—The distribution of the August to November, 1912, numbers to the foreign exchange list has been completed. The December and the Annual Summary numbers have been finally revised and are now being printed, and the proof sheets of January, 1913, have been checked.

Results of Rainfall Observations.—For the South Australian volume the greater portion of the statistical tabulations of the records for 750 stations, up to the close of 1914, has been completed; tables showing complete monthly records for all available years at 210 of these stations have been prepared, and the preparation of maps, tables, and diagrams to show the variations from year to year of the mean rainfall has been commenced.

Bulletin No. 10, on the Relation between Cirrus Directions as observed in Melbourne, and the approach of the various storm systems affecting Victoria, by E. T. Quayle, B.A., has been printed, and copies are now being distributed to our foreign exchange list.

The memoir on "Climate Control of Production in Australia," is now in the press, and the necessary maps and illustrations for the memoir on "Australian Rainfall Characteristics" are nearly completed. Illustrations for a first report on Upper Air Observations are completed, and the text is in progress.

GENERAL REMARKS.

A number of special reports and statistical returns have, as usual, been supplied to Government Departments, the press and others, through the Central Office and each of the Divisional Offices.

The third course of lectures in Meteorology by Mr. Griffith Taylor at the Commonwealth Military Flying School, Point Cook, has been completed. Eight officers attended, and in the final examination, seven of them passed (four with high distinction).

The erection of anemometer towers at several stations in New South Wales, and the installation of anemographs is now in progress, under the superintendence of an officer of the Central Staff.

Five requests for special forecasts of Victorian, New South Wales and Queensland weather have been received since last report.

A meteorological kiosk, for the exhibition of weather charts, bulletins, maps, &c., and standard meteorological instruments, has just been erected in Swanston-street, Melbourne, in the vicinity of the Town Hall, and has aroused a considerable amount of interest. Similar kiosks have been erected in Brisbane, Hobart, and Perth, and endeavours are being made to find suitable sites in Sydney and Adelaide.

It has been decided to temporarily discontinue the meteorological station of the Commonwealth and New Zealand Governments at Macquarie Island. This station, situated some 980 miles south-east of Tasmania, was first established by the Commonwealth Meteorological Bureau in connexion with the Mawson Antarctic Expedition, and the results obtained have been of considerable meteorological value.

NOTES ON THE SEASON.

Following on the mild and favorable weather of the winter throughout the agricultural belt of southern Australia, the spring season opened with rains above the normal in September throughout the settled portions of West Australia, most of South Australia, Tasmania (except the south-east corner), and the whole of Victoria, and the southern half of New South Wales, and also partially relieved the drought conditions in Central and South-west Queensland. The rains did not extend to Eastern and South-eastern Queensland, nor the north-east quarter of New South Wales.

Since September, however, there has been a marked falling off in the rainfall of the continent, and the daily charts have changed to the dry spring type, showing a continuous succession of "V" low pressures over southern waters (but keeping too far south and moving too rapidly to affect the mainland) and weak monsoonal influences in Northern Australia. Tasmania, being further south, came more directly within the disturbed area, and October there was a wet and very favorable month.

In Eastern Victoria, and in the south-eastern quarter of New South Wales, October rains were good and above the normal, and also in the south-west settled areas of West Australia, and opportune useful showers fell in South Australia, Western Victoria, and the central part of New South Wales, but extremely dry conditions were experienced in the north-east quarter of New South Wales, and over practically the whole of Queensland.

In parts of Queensland, the reports from our meteorological observers indicate that the drought being experienced there is one of the worst in the history of the State; these show that heavy losses of stock have been sustained over practically all the stock-raising areas, and there is an almost total absence of grass and surface water. In a few cases, cane crops give promise of a fair harvest, but in general all crops are a failure. On the north coast of New South Wales, also, in the opinion of many of the observers, the drought is one of the worst ever experienced, stock dying in many parts, grass and water supplies being exhausted, and the dairying industry suffering greatly. Extensive bush fires have also done great damage.

Further south, the conditions in New South Wales were better, and harvest prospects are good in the Riverina, Central and Southern Slopes. Elsewhere, throughout the southern States, reports in general show a favorable outlook.

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NEW SOUTH WALES.

POSTAL SITES.

Site.	Federal Electoral Division.
Abermain Post Office. —Lot 14, section 32, acquired from the State Government on the 11th September, 1915. Payment of compensation money now being effected	Hunter
Botany Post Office. —Site having a frontage of 120 feet to Banksia-street acquired on 21st August, 1915. Claim for compensation to hand, and receiving attention	Parkes
Broken Hill Railway Town Post Office. —The State Government has been asked to state terms under which the area at the corner of Gypsum and Beryl streets may be acquired by the Commonwealth	Barrier
Bulli Post Office. —Approval given 22nd July, 1915, to acquire a site having of about 75 feet to Main South Coast-road. Executive approval now being sought	Illawarra
Chippendale (Sydney) Pole Storage Depot. —Approval obtained to acquire a site being lots 15 to 18, inclusive, at the corner of Dangar and Wiley streets. Action being taken to obtain Executive approval. Amount of compensation agreed upon	Parkes
Coogee Post Office. —Site at the corner of Belmore-road and Mount-street acquired 10th July, 1915. Claims for compensation now awaited	Wentworth
Corrimal Post Office. —Offers received in response to advertisement receiving the consideration of the Postal Authorities	Illawarra
Cronulla Beach Post Office. —Action proceeding towards the acquisition of site suggested by Postal Department	Illawarra
East Balmain Post Office. —Valuation obtained of an area suggested by the Postmaster-General's Department	Dalley
Enmore Pole Depot. —A site being lots 1, 2, and 3 with frontage to Salisbury-road acquired 24th July, 1915. Claim for compensation to hand, and receiving attention	Cook
Germanton (Holbrook) Post Office. —Valuation obtained of site suggested by the Postal Authorities	Hume
Lawson Post Office. —Approval given to acquire site having a frontage of 66 feet to Bathurst-road. Compensation money agreed upon. Executive approval now being sought	Nepean

Postal Sites—continued.

Site.	Federal Electoral Division.
Military-road (Sydney) Post Office. —Offers received in response to advertisement receiving the consideration of the Postal authorities	North Sydney
Oxford-street (Sydney) Post Office. —Site at the corner of Crown-street and Kell's-lane acquired from the Sydney Municipal Council on the 11th November, 1915. Amount of compensation money agreed upon, and action being taken to effect payment	East Sydney
Rose Bay Post Office. —Lots 40 and 41 at the intersection of Old South Head-road and Wilberforce-avenue acquired 12th June, 1915. Claim for compensation received, and being dealt with	Wentworth
Strathfield Pole Depot. —An area of about 6 acres acquired on the 28th October, 1915. Compensation money agreed upon, and now being paid	Nepean
Surry Hills Post Office. —Site having a frontage of 44 feet to Crown-street acquired 19th June, 1915. Claim for compensation received, and negotiations proceeding as to the amount of compensation which shall be paid	South Sydney
Thirroul Post Office. —Site being lots 26 and 27 having about 100 feet frontage to Main South Coast-road acquired on the 7th October, 1915. Claims for compensation now awaited	Illawarra
Tighe's Hill Post Office. —Matter now receiving consideration of Postmaster-General's Department	Newcastle
Toronto Post Office. —Approval given to acquire site a frontage of 80 feet to Toronto Boulevard. Compensation money agreed upon. Instructions issued for survey 8th October, 1915	Hunter
Trundle Post Office. —Approval given to acquire a strip having frontage of 34 feet to Forbes-street as an addition to the present Post Office site. Action being taken to obtain Executive approval	Calare
Wagga Wagga Post Office. —Approval given to acquire an additional area adjoining the present site. Negotiations now proceeding with owners, and survey being effected	Hume
Waverley Pole Depot. —Site having a frontage of 162 feet to Porter-street acquired 24th July, 1915. Claim for compensation received and being dealt with	Wentworth
Willow Tree Post Office. —Action being taken to acquire site suggested by Postal Department	Gwydir
Woy Woy Post Office. —Approval given to acquire lots 43 and 45, having a frontage of 90 feet to the main thoroughfare. Amount of compensation agreed upon. Instructions to survey issued 23.11.1915	Robertson

DEFENCE SITES.

Site.	Federal Electoral Division.
Adamstown Rifle Range. —Question of acquiring additional land receiving the consideration of the Defence Department	Newcastle
Armidale Drill Hall. —Executive approval being sought for the acquisition from the State Government of a site at the corner of Faulkner and Dumaresq streets. Compensation agreed upon	New England
Arneliffe Drill Hall. —Site at the corner of Empress, Done, and Eden streets, containing an area of $2\frac{1}{2}$ acres, acquired 6th March, 1915. Claims for compensation received, and negotiations proceeding with the claimants as to the amount of compensations which shall be paid	Lang
Ballina Drill Hall. —Approval given to acquire from the State Government an area having a frontage to Tamar-street. Plan and technical description now awaited in order to obtain Executive approval in the matter	Richmond
Bathurst Rifle Range. —Site containing an area of about 480 acres acquired on the 1st April, 1915. Claims for compensation received, and negotiations proceeding with the claimants as to the amount of compensation which shall be paid	Macquarie
Bulli Rifle Range (Additions to). —Allotments 20 to 25, inclusive, acquired on the 1st April, 1915. Claims for compensation received, and negotiations proceeding as to the amount of compensation which shall be paid	Illawarra
Chatswood Rifle Range. —An area of about 108 acres acquired on the 15th May, 1915. Claims for compensation received, and negotiations proceeding as to the amount of compensation which shall be paid	Parramatta
Corowa Drill Hall. —Approval given to acquire a site in Deniliquin-road. Technical description received on the 13th November, and Executive approval now being sought	Hume
Dubbo Drill Hall. —Site suggested by the State Government receiving the consideration of the Defence Authorities	Darling
Glebe Drill Hall. —Site having a frontage of about 130 feet to Hereford-street acquired 17th April, 1915. Payment of compensation money effected 8th October, 1915	West Sydney
Glebe Drill Hall (Addition to). —Approval given to acquire an area as an addition to the Drill Hall having about 66 feet frontage to Hereford-street. Action being taken to obtain Executive approval	West Sydney
Gosford Rifle Range. —Negotiations proceeding with the Premier respecting the acquisition of an area of about 17 acres involved in an area over which permissive occupancy is being obtained	Robertson
Hornsby Drill Hall. —Acquisition of site under consideration	Parramatta
Junee Drill Hall. —Site having frontages to Crawley and Market streets acquired on 13th March, 1915. Claims for compensation received, and negotiations proceeding as to the amount of compensation which shall be paid	Riverina

Defence Sites—continued.

Site.	Federal Electoral Division.
Leichhardt Drill Hall (No. 1 Site). —Site having frontages to Church and Glover streets and Wharf-road, comprising an area of about 5 acres acquired on the 1st April, 1915. Compensation agreed upon and now being paid	Dalley
Liverpool Gravel Pit. —An area of about 7 acres, being block 135, section 3, acquired on the 11th September, 1915. Claim for compensation now awaited	Nepean
Liverpool Public School Buildings and Site. —Approval given to acquire from the State Government the old Public School building at Holdsworthy. Executive approval now being sought	Nepean
Manly Rifle Range. —Approval given to acquire an area of about 19 acres. Instructions for survey issued 9th November, 1915. Negotiations proceeding with owners as to price required	North Sydney
Miller's Point Drill Hall. —A site having a frontage to Lower Forth-street acquired on the 15th May, 1915. Claim received, and negotiations proceeding as to the amount of compensation which shall be paid	Hunter
Molong Drill Hall. —Site being allotments 2 and 3, section 24, in Hill-street, acquired on the 19th June, 1915. Action being taken to effect payment of the compensation money	Calare
Mullumbimby Rifle Range. —An area suggested by the Defence Department containing about 42 acres acquired on the 14th October, 1915. Claims received and being dealt with	Richmond
Narrabri Drill Hall. —Approval given to accept offer of State Government to sell portion of Collins Park. Plan and technical description now awaited, in order that Executive approval may be obtained.	Gwydir
North Sydney Drill Hall (Site No. 1). —Site having a frontage of about 132 feet to Ernest-street acquired 3rd July, 1915. Compensation agreed upon and now being dealt with	North Sydney
North Sydney Drill Hall (No. 2 Site). —The question of acquiring site under consideration	North Sydney
Parkes Drill Hall. —Site suggested by the Defence Department considered unsuitable. The selection of a fresh site under consideration of Defence Authorities	Calare
Scone Drill Hall. —Offer of Trustees of School of Arts to sell School of Arts property accepted. Action now being taken to obtain Executive approval	Robertson
Woollahra Drill Hall. —Report awaited as to suitability of a site suggested by the Defence Authorities	Wentworth
Young Rifle Range. —Acquisition of an area of about 210 acres under consideration of the Defence Authorities	Werriwa

MISCELLANEOUS SITES.

ACQUISITION OF AN AREA FOR THE PURPOSE OF OBTAINING BUILDING MATERIAL FOR USE IN CONNEXION WITH BUILDINGS TO BE ERECTED FOR THE COMMONWEALTH IN THE FEDERAL TERRITORY AND OTHER PLACES.

Fairy Meadow.—An area of about 56 acres, being part of portion 167, County of Murray, acquired on the 10th April, 1915. Claim for compensation received, and being dealt with.

POSTAL WORKS.

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Aberdeen. —Painting and repairs—£70—authorized. Held over pending decision <i>re</i> additional accommodation	Robertson
Abermain. —Erection of post office. Awaiting site plan	Hunter
Adaminaby. —Repairs and painting—£106—authorized. Delayed owing to difficulty in obtaining timber. Work about to be put in hand	Eden-Monaro
Ardlethan. —Erection of new post office—£1,800. In hand departmentally. .01 completed	Riverina
Armidale. —Increased accommodation—amended estimate—£4,415 18s. 6d.—with Deputy Postmaster-General	New England
Ashfield. —Covering floor of switch room—£107. Approval given. In hand departmentally, and .9 completed	Parkes
Ballina. —Additions, &c.—£1,110—authorized. Work in hand departmentally. .75 completed	Richmond
Barraba. —Repairs, &c.—£112 7s.—authorized. Contract let to Steet Bros., and work almost completed	New England
Barrington. —Repairs, painting, &c.—£84—authorized. In hand departmentally, and .04 completed	Darling
Bateman's Bay. —Painting and repairs—£65. Contract let to J. G. Veitch—£26 3s.	Eden-Monaro
Beecroft. —Erection of new office—£1,300. Papers and estimate with Deputy Postmaster-General	Parramatta
Boomi. —Erection of new office—£1,920 19s. Contract being let to R. Wilson and Son—£1,920 19s.	Gwydir
Botany. —Erection of new building—£2,300. Site acquired. Papers and estimate with Deputy Postmaster-General	South Sydney
Bowraville. —Alterations and additions—£250—authorized. In hand departmentally, and .99 completed	Cowper
Brewarrina. —Additional accommodation and repairs—£848—authorized. Approval with District Inspector	Darling
Bridge's Store. —Additions—£45,000. Working plans in hand	West Sydney
Burren Junction. —Erection of post office and provision of store—£1,540. Work completed	Gwydir
Byron Bay. —Telephone exchange erection—£490. Work completed	Richmond

Postal Works—continued.

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Bulli. —Erection of post office. Awaiting settlement of site ..	Illawarra
Bellata. —Erection of post office—£1,870. Sketch, plans, &c., with Deputy Postmaster-General for approval	Gwydir
Brushgrove. —Additions—£335. Sketch plans with Deputy Postmaster-General for approval Work deferred at instance of Postal Department	Cowper
Burwood. — Electric light, power for motor, &c.—£80—authorized. Work completed	Parkes
Lino. for telephone exchange—£53—authorized. In hand departmentally, and .5 completed	
Burren Junction. —Petrol air gas—£78—authorized. Contract let to Quirk's Ltd.—£75. Work completed	Gwydir
Blayney. —Petrol air gas—£115. Approval just given Specification almost complete	Macquarie
Bemboka. —Painting and repairs—£142—authorized. In hand departmentally. .02 completed	Eden-Monaro
Campsie. —Erection of new office—£2,000. Approval just given. Working plans completed	Parkes
Canowindra. —Additions and alterations—£642—authorized. Work in hand departmentally and .45 completed	Calare
Casino. —Additions, &c.—£1,911—authorized. Work completed	Richmond
Chatswood. — Additions and alterations—£335—authorized. Work completed Additions to telephone exchange—£1,350—authorized. Work completed	Parramatta
Chippendale. — Erection of post office—£1,420. Just approved. Site gazetted. Working plans completed Erection of postal stables and motor garage—£9,500. Just approved. Working plans commenced	North Sydney
Coff's Harbor. —Air gas installation—£80—authorized. Contract let to Quirk's Lighting Co.—£75. Work completed	Cowper
Condobolin. —Exchange-room—£360—authorized. Work completed	Calare
Coogee. —Erection of post office—£1,800. With Deputy Postmaster-General <i>re</i> estimate	Wentworth
Coonamble. —Additions and alterations—£123—authorized. Contract let to J. D. Ryan—£123. Work completed	Darling
Cootamundra. —Additions and repairs—£1,000—authorized. Contract let to Mitchell Bros.—£998. Work completed	Hume
Coraki. —Additions and alterations—£310—authorized. Work completed	Richmond

Postal Works—continued.

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Cudal. —Additions and alterations—£451—authorized. Work in hand departmentally. .95 completed	Calare
Cumnock. —Alterations and additions—£350—authorized. In hand departmentally. .95 completed	Calare
Charing Cross. —Erection of post office—£1,500. Site gazetted. Work deferred at request of Deputy Postmaster-General	Wentworth
Clifton. —Additions—£110—authorized. In hand departmentally, and .9 completed	Illawarra
Cowra. —Erect room for mechanic—£285. Action deferred at request of Deputy Postmaster-General	Calare
Cessnock. —Alterations and additions—£440. Preliminaries in hand in anticipation of passing Estimates	Hunter
Cooma. —Additions and alterations—£386. Preliminaries in hand	Eden-Monaro
Coonamble. —Sanitary accommodation—£60—authorized. Quotations called for work	Darling
Chatswood Island. —Renovations, &c.—£113. Approval just given. Specification in hand.	Parramatta
Dapto. —Minor repairs and painting—£118—authorized. Work completed	Illawarra
Denman. —Additions and alterations—£302—authorized. In hand departmentally. .99 completed	Robertson
Dorrigo. —Drainage, &c.—£93—authorized. Contract let to G. Corke for £75. Work completed	Cowper
Delungra. —Erection of post office—£1,685. Amended plan with Requisitioning Department	Gwydir
Enngonia. —Repairs and painting—£93—authorized. Work completed	Darling
Eugowra. —Additions—£340. Preliminaries in hand	Calare
Enmore. —Pole dépôt. Site gazetted. Approval, £195, being obtained	Cook
Epping. —Pole dépôt. Site just gazetted. Papers and estimate, £146, with Deputy Postmaster-General	Parramatta
Finley. —Erection—£1,400—authorized. Contract let to S. Smith—£1,395 5s. Work completed	Riverina
Forbes. —Additions, &c.—£1,880—authorized; and repairs, &c.—£83 10s.—authorized. Contract let to J. J. Peterson—£1,950. Work .98 completed	Calare
Geurie. —Erection of office and quarters—£1,875—authorized. In hand departmentally and .1 completed	Darling
Gilgandra. —New telegraph exchange-room and extension main office—£360—authorized. Contract let to R. T. Hill—£339 6s. .98 completed	Darling
Goodooga. —Alterations and additions—£334 17s. 7d.—authorized. Contract let to E. Stanley—£334 17s. 7d. Work completed	Darling

Postal Works—continued.

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Grafton— Extension of operating room—£232—authorized. Being carried out in conjunction with other work Alterations—£742—authorized. Contract let to Strauss Bros.—£742. Work .8 completed. Completion delayed re extension of operating room	Cowper
Grenfell. —Alterations—£575. Working plans in hand ..	Werriwa
Gulgong. —Kalsomining and painting office and quarters—£65—authorized. Work in hand departmentally, and .8 completed	Robertson
Gunnedah. —Repairs to bedroom, and provide two new 1,000-gallon tanks—£298 15s.—authorized. Contract let to W. G. Westerweller cancelled and tender of T. J. Bowen—£298 15s.—to be accepted	Gwydir
Guyra. —Erection of storeroom—£75—authorized. Tender of A. D. Hutton—£69—accepted	New England
Guildford. —Erection of post office. Site gazetted	Nepean
Haymarket— New office—£2,750. Site not yet settled Remodelling front of old premises—£150—authorized. Work completed Additional accommodation and private boxes—£220. Work completed	East Sydney
Hurstville. —Additions and alterations—£465—authorized. Work completed	Illawarra
Hamilton— Erection of store—£800. Fresh sites being advertised for Repairs to post office—£50. Tender of J. Head—£50—accepted. Work completed	Newcastle
Homebush. —Lino. for switch room—£61. Authorized. In hand departmentally, and .5 completed	Nepean
Howlong. —Painting and repairs—£65. Authorized. Tender of W. Murdoch—£65—accepted	Hume
Inverell. —Minor repairs, &c.—£80—authorized. Minor repairs complete. Other work in hand by Council	Gwydir
Jerilderie. —Painting and repairs—£98. Authorized. Contract let to E. Burwood—£98. Work completed	Riverina
Kempsey. —Additions—£500—authorized. In hand departmentally. .8 completed	Cowper
Killara. —Erection new office—£1,800. Revised plans with Deputy Postmaster-General	Parramatta
La Perouse. —Erection of post office. Site gazetted ..	South Sydney
Lawrence. —Erection of washhouse—£55—authorized. Carried out departmentally. Work completed	Cowper
Lawson. —Erection of post office—£1,750. Awaiting site	Macquarie

Postal Works—*continued.*

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Leichhardt— Alterations and additions — £515— authorized. Work completed Repairs and renovations—£90. Authorized. Carried out departmentally. Work completed	Dalley
Lidcombe— Lino. for telephone exchange—£53. Authorized. In hand departmentally. .95 completed Foundation pier for gas engine—£65. Authorized. Work completed departmentally	Nepean
Lismore.— Painting and repairs—£200—authorized. Still held up pending completion of other work	Richmond
Lockhart— Additions—£176—authorized. Work completed Alterations—£190. Approval given. Working plans complete	Hume
Macksville.— Erection of post office—£1,650. Amended estimate with Deputy Postmaster-General	Cowper
Manly.— Pole storage yard. Awaiting settlement of site	North Sydney
Menindie.— Repairs, &c.—£55—authorized. Amended estimate with Deputy Postmaster-General	Barrier
Millthorpe.— Erect two additional rooms—£265—authorized. Work completed	Macquarie
Moree.— Alterations—£110—authorized. Work completed	Gwydir
Moruya.— Additions and alterations—£518. Working plan completed. Requisition to hand from Postal Department	Eden-Monaro
Mosman.— Wire screen to windows of telephone exchange—£75—authorized. Contract let to R. S. Messent—£69 2s. 9d. .85 completed	North Sydney
Murrumburra.— Air gas installation—£120—authorized. Contract let to Booty, Croaker Co.—£120. Work completed	Werriwa
Narrabri.— Installation air gas system—£126 10s. Just authorized. Contract to be let to Quirk's Ltd.—£126 10s.	Gwydir
Newcastle.— Ventilation in basement—£305. Contract let to Austral Ventilating Coy.—£235. Work completed	North Sydney
North Sydney— Additions to telephone exchange—£2,685. Still awaiting decision <i>re</i> equipment Pole yard—£540—authorized. Work completed	North Sydney
Nowra.— Additions for telephone exchange—£525—authorized. Work completed	Eden-Monaro
Oaklands.— Erection—£1,700. Paper with Deputy Postmaster-General as to size of building, &c. Work deleted from draft Estimates, 1915-16	Riverina

Postal Works—*continued.*

Work.	Federal Electoral Divisions.
Oxford-street. —Erection of post office—£2,115. Site acquired	East Sydney
Paddington. —Erection of telephone exchange—£3,500. Still awaiting report from Deputy Postmaster-General <i>re</i> amended estimate	East Sydney
Pambula. —Repairs and painting—£75—authorized. Work completed departmentally	Eden-Monaro
Parkes. —Erection of lumber room—£92—authorized. Contract let to Dean Bros.—£90 10s. .99 completed	Calare
Parramatta. —Lino. for switch room—£75—authorized. In hand departmentally, and .5 completed	Parramatta
Petersham. —Additions to telephone exchange—£1,975. Question of additional land under consideration	Lang
Pymont. —Painting — £66 — authorized. Work completed departmentally	West Sydney
Queanbeyan. —Repairs and improvements—£70—authorized. Work in hand departmentally. .9 completed	Eden-Monaro
Quirindi. —Repairs and renovations—£72—authorized. Contract let to D. G. Pryor—£64 17s. 6d. Work .45 completed	Gwydir
Redfern. —	South Sydney
Additional sanitary accommodation — £125 — authorized.	
Completed departmentally	
Painting and repairs—£145. Authorized. In hand departmentally, and .97 completed	
Rockdale. —Additions—£180. P.M.G. approved of amended plan. Work deferred till passing of 1915-16 Estimates	Illawarra
Lidcombe. —Erection — £1,250. Requisition, &c., with D.P.M.G. Working plans just completed	Nepean
Rose Bay. —Erection of post office—£1,650. Site gazetted. Work deferred for twelve months at request of Deputy Postmaster-General	Wentworth
Roseville. —Erection—£1,400. Site gazetted	Parramatta
Ryde. —	Parramatta
Erect telephone exchange—£1,750—authorized. Work completed	
Extension of mail room—£340—authorized. In hand departmentally. .07 completed	
Scone. —Additions and alterations—£680—authorized. In hand departmentally. Practically completed	Robertson
Singleton. —Alterations and repairs—£375—authorized. In hand departmentally, and .98 completed	Robertson
Sunny Corner. —Repairs and painting—£112 10s.—authorized. Work completed	Richmond
Surry Hills. —Erection—£1,760. Site gazetted	South Sydney
Sydney. —Erection of telephone exchange—£2,000 (towards £23,000)—authorized. Work in hand departmentally.	Sydney
All rubbish cleared from site	

Postal Works—continued.

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Sydney General Post Office— Alterations to posting apertures—£408—authorized. Work completed Strengthening cable chute—£400—authorized, and provision of fire appliances—£425—authorized. Work taken out of State Public Works Department's hands. To be put in hand departmentally Motor garage—£180. Amended estimate to D.P.M.G. Re-fitting automatic devices to lifts—£245—authorized. Contract let to Standard Waygood Ltd.—£242 10s. Work completed Iron rack in workshop—£70—authorized. Requisition cancelled by Deputy Postmaster-General. Work not to be proceeded with	East Sydney
Sydney Parcels Post— Alterations to allow removal of all sorting from G.P.O. to this building—£10,000—authorized. Work carried out departmentally, excepting contract for lifts, let to Edmiston and O'Neill. All work completed Pigeon holes, blinds, &c., for Mail Branch—£100—authorized. Contract let to W. C. Fidden for £83 5s. Work completed Power for wax heaters, &c.—£60. Work completed Furniture and fittings for Mail Branch—£200 (towards £760)—authorized. Contracts let to Standard Waygood for £121, to E. Wright and Son for £365 2s. 9d., Toogood and Jones £46 16s. 9d., Hammersley Jones £59 2s. 6d. All work completed Lino. for four rooms—£155. Approval given. In hand departmentally, and .3 completed	South Sydney
Tamworth.— Erection of storeroom, &c.—£230. In hand departmentally, and .6 completed	New England
Tweed Heads.— Additions to post office—£220. Working plans well in hand	Richmond
Thirroul.— Erection—£1,500. Site just approved ..	Illawarra
Trunkey Creek.— Repairs and painting—£135. Approval just given. Work being put in hand departmentally	Macquarie
Ulmarra.— Additions—£410—authorized. Additional work—(estimated £130) approved. Work completed	Cowper
Vaucluse.— Tar paving yard—£100—authorized. Work completed .. Lino. for Telephone Exchange—£59—authorized. In hand departmentally, and .9 completed Foundation pier for gas engine—£66—authorized. Completed departmentally Tarpaving and kerbing at telephone exchange—£63 3s. 8d. Approved. Carried out by Waverley Municipal Council. Work completed	Wentworth

Postal Works—continued.

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Walcha. —New mail room—£335—authorized. Working plans in hand. Contract being let to Waller and Son—£335	New England
Walgett. —Additions and alterations to post office—£340. Requisition endorsed with estimate and forwarded to Deputy Postmaster-General	Gwydir
Wallsend-Plattsburg. —Renovations and repairs—£59 15s. 6d.—authorized. Contract let to W. Timmins—£59 15s. 6d.	Newcastle
Warialda. —Repairs, &c.—£255—authorized. Contract let to G. H. Edmonds—£186 3s. Work completed	Gwydir
Warren. —Alterations—£120—authorized. Work completed ..	Darling
Waverley. — Additions to telephone exchange—£375—Building not to be gone on with until contract is let for equipment Pole Dépôt. Site acquired	Wentworth
Wellington. —Additional sanitary accommodation—£57—authorized. Contract let to R. T. Hill—£40. .6 completed	Calare
West Kempsey. —Repairs and painting—£195—authorized. In hand departmentally. .7 completed	Cowper
Weston. —Erection of office and quarters—£1,605. In hand departmentally	Hunter
Windsor. — Additions and alterations—£226. In hand departmentally, and .9 completed Painting and repairs—£125. In hand departmentally, and .25 completed	Nepean
Wingham. —Room for exchange—£350. Approval just given. Working plans in hand	Cowper
Wollongong. —Painting, &c.—£162—authorized. In hand departmentally. .9 completed	Illawarra
Young. —Additions and repairs—£352—authorized. Working drawings almost completed	Werriwa

DEFENCE WORKS.

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Adamstown. — Fencing—£195—authorized. Completed departmentally Forming deviation old road, fencing, &c.—£54—authorized. Completed departmentally	Newcastle
Abermain. —Erection of drill hall. Sketch plans prepared. Requisition with Defence Department for approval	Hunter

Defence Works—*continued.*

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Albury— Additional office accommodation, &c., at drill hall—£750—authorized. Work completed Erection of drill hall. Site gazetted.	Hume
Armidale. —Erection of drill hall. Requisition with Defence Department for approval. Sketch plans prepared	New England
Arneliffe. —Erection of drill hall—£1,170—authorized. Work completed	Lang
Ashfield. —Furniture for drill hall—£80 10s. Approved. Contract let to Toogood and Jones—£72 19s. '75 completed	Parkes
Ballina. —Erection of drill hall. Site just approved ..	Richmond
Bathurst. —Excavate and form mantlet—£260—(towards £1,660)—authorized. In hand departmentally. '8 completed	Macquarie
Bega— Additions to drill hall—£260—authorized. Work completed Painting drill hall—£60. In hand departmentally, and '6 completed	Eden-Monaro
Belmore. —Erection of drill hall—£1,885—authorized. Work completed	Parkes
Bulli. —Additions to rifle range. Site acquired	Illawarra
Burwood— Erect drill hall. Requisition with Defence Department for approval Furniture for drill hall—£95—authorized. Contract let to Toogood and Jones—£63 15s. Work completed	Parkes
Cessnock. —Erection of drill hall—£880—authorized. In hand departmentally, and '6 completed	Hunter
Chatswood —Construction of rifle range—£5,350. In hand departmentally, and '11 completed	Parramatta
Chowder Bay— Septic tank system—£68—authorized. Work completed Fencing and gates R.A.E.—£135—authorized. Work completed departmentally	North Sydney
Circular Quay. —Furniture and fittings—£160—authorized. Work in hand departmentally. '99 completed	East Sydney
Cockatoo Island. —Telegraph line to G.P.O.—£100. Work completed departmentally	West Sydney
Cobar. —Erection of drill hall—£1,300. Requisition with Military Commandant	Darling
Cooma. —Erection of three additional rooms—£176—authorized. Work completed	Eden-Monaro
Cootamundra —Provide latrines at rifle range—£67. Work completed departmentally	Hume

Defence Works—*continued.*

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Coraki. —Erection drill hall—£865—authorized. In hand departmentally, and .1 completed	Richmond
Corrimal. —Erection of drill hall—£995. Requisition with Defence Department for approval	Illawarra
Cowra. —Erect drill hall—£300 (towards £1,212)—authorized. Not to be proceeded with at present	Calare
Darling Island Ordnance Store. —Provide and fix stout wire netting to lift well. Work completed	West Sydney
Darling Island. —Wood blocking yard at victualling depôt—£1,970—authorized. Held over for six months	West Sydney
Deniliquin. —Erection of drill hall. Awaiting settlement of site	Riverina
Dorrigo. —Construct rifle range. Land acquired. No requisition yet to hand	Cowper
Dubbo. — Erect drill hall—£1,126—authorized. Work .3 completed. Now held up pending decision as to fresh site Shelter shed, telephone service, &c. — £87 — authorized. Work completed	Darling
East Maitland. —Painting drill hall externally. Contract let to J. Head—£63. Work completed	Hunter
Eden. —Construction of rifle range. Site acquired	Eden-Monaro
Edgecliffe. —Shelving in store room — £90 — authorized. Work completed	Wentworth
Forbes Drill Hall. —Supply of furniture—£70—authorized. Supply completed	Calare
Garden Island. — Supply of 5-ton crane. Contract let to M. C. Coates—£745 New floor in electrical workshop—£90—authorized. Being carried out by Navy Department from Defence votes. Work completed Extension of boat repairing shed — £240 — authorized. Work completed New fitting shops for engineers — £1,875 — authorized. Work completed Runways in gun mounting store—£340—authorized. Contracts let (for trolley blocks)—£84—to F. R. Perrot, and (for steel joists) to Sydney Steel Co.—£248 10s. 6d. Work completed Provision of traveller in coal store—£295—authorized. Contracts (for cranes) let to J. E. Toole and Co.—£114— and (for traveller brackets) to Structural Engineering Co. —£16 5s.	East Sydney
Closing in verandahs at Chart Office—£135. Papers with Naval Department	
George's Head. —Septic Tank—£723—authorized. Work in hand departmentally, and .2 completed	North Sydney

Defence Works—continued.

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
George's Heights. —Quarters of R.A.E.—Painting externally—£134. Work completed	North Sydney
Glebe. —Erection of drill hall—£2,280. Requisition with estimate to District Commandant	West Sydney
Glen Innes. —Erect drill hall.—£300 (towards £840)—approved. Work deferred at instance of Defence Department	New England
Goat Island. —Overhaul and repair receiving shed at magazine—£60—authorized. Work now unnecessary and not to be carried out	West Sydney
Goulburn. —Erect drill hall—£250 (towards £2,250)—authorized. Work deferred at instance of Defence Department	Werriwa
Grafton. —Erect drill hall—£2,095—authorized. In hand departmentally. .8 completed. Contract let for steelwork to Sydney Steel Coy. for £166 10s.	Cowper
Granville. —Erection of drill hall—£1,750—authorized. Work completed	Nepean
Homebush. —Erection drill hall—£1,800—authorized. In hand departmentally. .95 completed. Contract let for supply of joinery to Excelsior Joinery Co. for £104 10s.	Nepean
Hurstville. —Erection of drill hall—£930—authorized. Work completed	Illawarra
Inverell. —Erect drill hall—£300 (towards £900)—authorized. Action deferred at instance of Defence Department	Gwydir
Junee. —Erection of drill hall—£1,235—authorized. Work deferred at instance of Defence Department	Riverina
Katoomba. —Erect drill hall—£850—authorized. Work completed	Macquarie
Kiama. —Reconstruct mantlet—£291 10s. Work completed ..	Illawarra
Leichhardt. —Erection of drill hall—£2,810—authorized. Work completed departmentally	Dalley
Lismore. —Erection of drill hall—£2,060—authorized. Work deferred at instance of Defence Department	Richmond
Liverpool. —Forming, ballasting, &c., on road to rifle range—£3,820—authorized. In hand departmentally. .35 completed	Nepean
Furniture for Remount Dépôt. —£55—authorized. Supplied by Toogood and Jones. Supply complete	
Construction of rifle range. —£5,000 (towards £15,000)—authorized. In hand departmentally. .37 completed	
Erection of drill hall. Site leased. Works Director, N.S.W., taking preliminary action	
Erection of two S.A.A. Stores. —£900 (towards £3,900)—authorized. In hand departmentally; work .65 completed	
Forage barn. —£60—authorized. Carried out by Defence Department Work completed	

Defence Works—*continued.*

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Liverpool—<i>continued.</i>	Nepean
Construct two forage stores and make roads at Remount Depôt—£700 (towards £1,500)—authorized In hand de- partmentally and .5 completed	
Remount Depôt—Erect ten loose boxes—£285—authorized.	
Working plant just completed	
Forming road to German Concentration Camp—£2,735.	
In hand departmentally. .25 completed	
Long Bay. —Erect rifle rests on sods in form of parapet— £75—authorized. Work completed departmentally	South Sydney
Marriekville—	Lang
Erection of second drill hall—£2,250—authorized. Work completed	
Gun park and A.F.A. building. Contract for steelwork let to Structural Engineering Co.—£760 8s.	
Middle Head—	North Sydney
Construct B.C. and E.L.D. station—£500—authorized. Plans in hand by Defence Department	
Septic tank—£876—approved. In hand departmentally and .5 completed	
Erection of huts for A.G.A.—£2,590—authorized. In hand departmentally and .25 completed	
Miller's Point. —Erection of drill hall—£4,120. Not to be pro- ceeded with at present	West Sydney
Molong. —Erection of drill hall—£1,115. Sketch plans with Defence Department	Calare
Moore Park. —Grade and lay tar paving—£70. Completed departmentally	East Sydney
Mullumbimby—	Richmond
Erection of drill hall—£925—authorized. Contract let for joinery to Lilyfield Joinery Co,—£70. Erection in hand departmentally and .75 completed	
Construction of rifle range—£250 (towards £400)—authorized. In hand departmentally	
Muswellbrook. —Erect drill hall—£333 (towards £833)—autho- rized. Work deferred at instance of Defence Department	Robertson
Narrabri. —Erection of drill hall. Report on building site just received	Gwydir
Newcastle—	Newcastle
Erect boat shed and slipway—£1,910—authorized. Tenders called. Lowest tender approved for acceptance, but tenderer has since withdrawn	
Pier and landing jetty—£350—authorized. Contract let to J. S. Gam—£299 2s., and .95 completed	
Newington. —Repair and renew timber on wharf—£95— authorized. Work in hand by departmental labour	Lang

Defence Works—continued.

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
North Head. —Erection barrack accommodation—£7,000. Not to be proceeded with this financial year	North Sydney
North Sydney — Erect drill hall (Ernest-street)—£300 (towards £1,810)—authorized. Work in hand departmentally. '85 completed Erect drill hall (Carlow-street). Reports on site being obtained	North Sydney
Parramatta. —Install electric light on parade ground—£65—authorized. Work completed departmentally.	Parramatta
Randwick — Raise 200-yards firing mound—£185—authorized. Work completed Furniture for drill hall—£89 4s. Contract let to Toogood and Jones, 11th November	South Sydney
Rushcutters' Bay — Erect Naval drill hall—£1,200. With District Naval Officer for approval. Action suspended at instance of Defence Department Lengthening jetty—£225. Carried out by Harbor Trust. Work completed Additional sanitary accommodation—£125—authorized. Work completed departmentally Awning or roofed verandah at Naval Dépôt—£235. In hand departmentally. '15 completed Erect iron fence—£60. Awaiting approval Erect upper storey to gun shed—£250. With District Naval Officer	East Sydney
Ryde. —Erect drill hall—£1,730. Not to be proceeded with at present	Parramatta
Scratchley Fort — Painting—£185; enclose verandah—£84. Repairs and maintenance—£235—authorized. Work in hand departmentally. '9 completed Fencing defence reserve—£85—authorized. In hand departmentally. '7 completed	Newcastle
South Head — Construct B. C. and E.L.D. station—£400—authorized. In hand departmentally. '5 completed 9·2-in. gun emplacement—£5,000. Awaiting decision re matter of site Huts for engineers A.G.A.—£800 (towards £1,800)—authorized. In hand departmentally. '5 completed. New range in men's kitchen—£53. Work completed departmentally	Wentworth
South Head Defences. —Erect G.I. pipe fence around main passages of 6-in. Q.F.C. Battery—£70—authorized. In hand departmentally. Work completed	Wentworth

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Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Spectacle Island— Residence of officer-in-charge—£900—authorized. In hand departmentally. .95 completed Silver test house—£90—authorized. Work in hand departmentally. .99 completed Alterations and additions to guard house—£1,700—authorized. In hand departmentally. .95 completed Erection of changing room—£350—authorized. In hand departmentally. .95 completed Additions to offices—£670. Amended sketch to Requisitioning Department Drains and general inspection—£200—authorized. In hand departmentally. .8 completed Stockton Fort. —Pumping plant—£100—authorized. Specification with Defence Department for approval	West Sydney
Sydney Victoria Barracks— Overhaul fire service—£140—authorized. Completed departmentally Renew large entrance gates at back—£60—authorized. Contract let to J. Connelly for £35. Work completed Repairs to saddlers' shop, R.A.F.A. stables—£250—authorized. Work completed Repairs, &c., to officers' quarters—£75—authorized. In hand departmentally. .9 completed Additional ventilation Garrison Hospital—£55—authorized. Work completed departmentally. Electric lighting at hospital—£200—authorized. In hand departmentally and .35 completed	Newcastle
Tamworth. —Erect drill hall—£300 (towards £893)—authorized. Site gazetted. Specification prepared. Work deferred at instance of Defence Department	New England
Wagga Wagga. —Erection gun park, &c.—£1,690—authorized. Work in hand departmentally. .87 completed. Contract let for joinery to State Timber Yard for £91 10s. 3d.	Hume
Waratah. —Erection of drill hall.—£200 (towards £836)—authorized. Work deferred at instance of Defence Department	Newcastle
Waterloo. —Erect drill hall—£1,720. Not to be proceeded with at present	South Sydney
West Wallisend. —Construction of rifle range—£400. Work completed	Newcastle
Windsor. —Construct mantlet stop-butt, &c. on rifle range—£690—authorized. In hand departmentally and .95 completed	Nepean
Wollongong. —Erect drill hall. Site not yet acquired	Illawarra
Wyalong Drill Hall. —Erection—£890—authorized. In hand departmentally. .5 completed	Riverina
Yass. —Erect drill hall—£1,145—authorized. In hand departmentally and .3 completed	Eden-Monaro

TRADE AND CUSTOMS WORKS.

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
<p>North Head Quarantine (Sydney)— Steam disinfecter—£2,760—authorized. Contract let to J. O'Grady for £2,760. Steam piping, tanks, &c., for baths, laundry, and disinfecting plant—£1,113—authorized. In hand departmentally. ·89 completed Erection of posts and rails, tar paving, &c.—£95—authorized. In hand departmentally. Work completed Steam engine, complete; pump, on order; and electric lighting—£2,350—authorized. Work in hand. ·88 completed Demolition of buildings and re-erection as kitchen and mess-room—£405—authorized. Work completed Quarters for staff—£430—authorized. Work completed Erection of luggage shed and annexe—£3,450—authorized. Work in hand departmentally, and ·79 completed Sewering staff cottages—£1,009—authorized. In hand departmentally, and ·73 completed Billiard-room—£658—authorized. In hand departmentally. ·89 completed Erect boat shed—£97 10s.—authorized. Completed departmentally Renovations to cottage—£470—authorized. In hand departmentally and ·2 completed. Easing footpath to hospital—£225—authorized. In hand departmentally and ·12 completed Easing grade of road—£52—authorized. In hand departmentally. ·9 completed. Will be completed when easing footpath to Hospital is finished Erect verandah at cottage, &c.—£105. Completed departmentally</p>	North Sydney
<p>Sydney Customs House.—Alterations—£25,000. Requisition with Customs Department. Working plans half finished. Arrangements being made with State Government to have Shipping Office vacated as early as possible, so that work may be put in hand</p>	East Sydney

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POSTAL SITES.

Site.	Federal Electoral Division.
Bendigo Post Office. —Approval given to purchase from the State Government property adjoining the present Post Office. Amount of purchase money agreed upon. Executive approval now being sought	Bendigo
Footscray Pole Depot. —Postmaster-General's Department requests that matter remain in abeyance for twelve months	Melbourne Ports
Heidelberg Post Office. —Property formerly leased by the Commonwealth acquired on the 4th November, 1915. Claim for compensation received and being dealt with ;	Bourke
Northcote Telephone Exchange. —Approval given to acquire a site at the corner of High-street and Bayview-terrace. Compensation money agreed upon. Instructions issued for survey 26th November, 1915	Bourke
Melbourne Postal Stables and Motor Garage. —Offers received in response to public advertisement now being considered by the Postmaster-General's Department	Melbourne
Oakleigh Post Office. —A site having a frontage of about 100 feet to Atherton-road acquired from the State Government on the 11th September, 1915. Compensation money paid 29th September, 1915	Henty

DEFENCE SITES.

Site.	Federal Electoral Division.
Ararat Rifle Range. —Negotiations proceeding with the State Government with a view to acquiring the road crossing the Rifle Range north of allotment 47	Corangamite
Avoca Rifle Range. —An area, being lots 15, 16 and 17 of Section E acquired on the 21st August, 1915, and certain other rights, 25th September, 1915. Claims for compensation received and being dealt with	Grampians
Bacchus Marsh Rifle Range. —An area of about 68 acres acquired 19th June, 1915. Claim for compensation received and negotiations proceeding with the claimant as to the amount of compensation which shall be paid	Corio
Ballaarat Drill Hall. —Approval obtained to acquire an area of about 14 acres having a frontage to Sturt-street by a depth along Alfred-street. Survey instructions issued 15th November, 1915. Compensation money agreed upon	Ballaarat

Defence Sites—continued.

Site.	Federal Electoral Division.
Beaufort Rifle Range. —An area of about 225 acres acquired 3rd July, 1915. Claims for compensation being dealt with	Corangamite
Bright Rifle Range. —The interests of several person in certain land acquired 14th October, 1915. Claims for compensation awaited. The State Lands Department will now issue a permissive occupancy over the area	Indi
Broadmeadows Camp Site. —Ministerial approval obtained for the acquisition of lot 14 and portion of lot 15 adjoining the Camp site. Survey plan received 25th November, 1915. Negotiations proceeding with the owners	Maribyrnong
Chiltern Drill Hall. —Site, being allotments 4 and 13 adjoining the present site, acquired on the 11th September, 1915. Compensation agreed upon and action being taken to effect payment	Indi
Footscray Drill Hall. —Action proceeding towards the purchase from the State Government of an area of about 1 rood 33 perches at the corner of Gordon and Barkly streets	Melbourne Ports
Geelong Rifle Range. —Action proceeding towards the acquisition of the unused road intersecting the Rifle Range having an area of about 4 acres	Corio
Horsham Drill Hall. —Lots 5 to 10, inclusive, having frontages to Baillie and Davey streets, acquired on the 1st April, 1915. Claim for compensation received and negotiations proceeding with the claimant as to the amount of compensation which shall be paid	Wannon
North Fitzroy Drill Hall. —Site having about 99 feet frontage to Queen's Parade acquired on the 19th June, 1915. Claim for compensation received and negotiations proceeding as to the amount of compensation to be paid	Batman
Oakleigh Drill Hall. —Valuation of an area furnished to the Defence Department, 2nd September, 1915	Henty
Richmond Drill Hall. —Site having a frontage of about 166 feet to Swan-street by a depth of about 102 feet along Lord and Duke streets acquired 15th May, 1915. Compensation agreed upon and now being paid	Yarra
Rochester Drill Hall. —The acquisition from the State Government of the old State School buildings and land which adjoin the Recreation Reserve under consideration by the Defence authorities	Echuca
Warracknabeal Rifle Range. —An area of about 46 acres acquired on the 21st August, 1915. Claim for compensation received and being dealt with	Wimmera
Yarraville Drill Hall. —Approval given to acquire site having 198 feet frontage to Somerville-road. Survey instructions issued 23rd November, 1915	Melbourne Ports

POSTAL WORKS.

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Ascot Vale—	Maribyrnong
Erection of telephone exchange. Held up by Postmaster-General's Department in connexion with question of automatic equipment	
Painting and repairs—£100—authorized. Completed departmentally	Corangamite
Beaufort. —Additions, repairs, &c.—£100. Awaiting approval by Postal Department	
Bendigo. —Alterations for bank—£320. Removal of Postal and Money Order Office. To be carried out together—authorized. In hand departmentally. .75 completed	Bendigo
Box Hill. —Erection of automatic exchange. Deferred pending decision regarding automatic equipment	Kooyong
Broadmeadows—	Maribyrnong
Postal building—£330. Completed departmentally	
Shelving, counter, pigeonholes—£60. Completed departmentally	Batman
Carlton. —Repairs and painting—£165—authorized. In hand departmentally. Practically completed	
Canterbury—	Kooyong
Additions. Amended estimate being considered by Postal authorities	
Repairs and painting—£95 10s.—authorized. Completed departmentally	Henty
Caulfield East. —Erection lineman's shed—£100. Still awaiting approval	
Cobden. —Alterations, &c.—£329 5s. 4d.—authorized. Work completed departmentally	Corangamite
Coburg. —Demolishing existing closet, wash-house, &c.—£210. Approval now to hand. Plans practically completed	Maribyrnong
Colac—	Corangamite
Alterations and additions—£310—authorized. Work completed departmentally	
Storage and sanitary accommodation—£50—authorized. Work completed departmentally	Yarra
Collingwood. —Erection telephone exchange. Still held up awaiting decision by Postmaster-General's Department <i>re</i> automatic equipment	
Donald. —Additions and alterations—£410—authorized. Work completed departmentally	Wimmera
Elsternwick—	Henty
Erection lineman's shed—£95. Awaiting approval of Postmaster-General	
Internal alterations—£75. Awaiting approval of Postmaster-General	Melbourne Ports
Footscray. —Additions—£2,750—authorized. Awaiting decision of Postmaster-General's Department <i>re</i> automatic equipment	

Postal Works—continued.

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Geelong. —Install electric lights—£84 10s—authorized. Work completed departmentally	Corio
Hopetoun. —Renewal of plaster—£55—authorized. In hand departmentally. .2 completed	Wimmera
Hawthorn. —Line Inspector's office — £65. Still waiting approval	Kooyong
Horsham. —Erection battery room—£500. Awaiting advice from State Public Works <i>re</i> vacation of premises	Wannon
Irymple. —Erection of post office. Site has been acquired. Plans in course of preparation	Wimmera
Kerang. —Erection of woodshed for quarters—£65—authorized. Work completed departmentally	Wimmera
Lonsdale-street Telephone Exchange— Luncheon and Cloak room, estimate—£3,000. Awaiting Postmaster-General's decision <i>re</i> automatic equipment Heating and ventilation—£3,000. Plans in course of preparation Provide luncheon room for mechanics. Awaiting approval	Melbourne
Malvern. —Erect telephone exchange—£500 (towards cost, £5,500)—authorized. Plans being prepared. Work awaiting decision by Postmaster-General's Department as to equipment	Henty
Mansfield. —Additions—£600—authorized. Work completed departmentally	Indi
Melbourne— Erection building for parcels post and mail sorting—£14,690 (towards cost)—authorized. Work .53 completed Bronze-cased window frames and sashes. Contract let to Wunderlich Ltd.—£4,861 6s. .4 completed Electric lighting Parcels Post building. This work is awaiting completion of main building Timber for flooring at Parcels Post. Awaiting completion of main building Steelwork—£25,317 4s. 6d.—authorized. Contract let to Dorman, Long, and Co. Work completed Fit up skin store—£2,000. In hand departmentally. .6 completed Three double and two single sets of bins—£55—authorized. Work completed departmentally Ventilation and renewal of floors Telephone Exchange—£70—authorized. Work completed departmentally Install Dondey and Testo Filters at Telephone Exchange—£65. In hand departmentally. .6 completed	Melbourne
Mildura. —Lineman's shed—£97 10s.—authorized. Work completed	Wimmera
Minyip. —Additions—£180—authorized. Work completed	Wimmera

Postal Works—continued.

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Mirboo North. —Erection—£1,850—authorized. Work in hand departmentally. Practically completed	Gippsland
Nathalia. —Additions and alterations—£378 10s.—authorized. Work in hand departmentally. .8 completed	Echuca
Northcote. —Erection automatic exchange. Awaiting decision by Postmaster-General's Department <i>re</i> automatic equipment	Bourke
North Fitzroy. —Painting and repairs—£250—authorized. Work completed	Batman
North Melbourne. —Erection of telephone exchange. Awaiting decision by Postmaster-General's Department <i>re</i> automatic equipment	Melbourne
Numurkah. —Alterations for telephone exchange—£60—authorized. Plans being prepared.	Echuca
Oakleigh. —Erection of lineman's shed—£105. Held up awaiting Estimates 1915-16	Henty
Queenscliff. — Alterations—£350—authorized. Work completed departmentally Pigeonholes, &c.—£93 authorized. In hand departmentally. .6 completed	Corio
Sandringham. —Erection of lineman's shed—£95. Requisition not yet to hand	Henty
Sea Lake. —Erection of post office—£1,850—authorized. In hand departmentally. .5 completed	Wimmera
Seymour. —Alterations for telephone exchange—£75—authorized. Completed departmentally	Echuca
Shepparton. —Rearrangement of telephone exchange—£170—Work completed departmentally	Echuca
South Melbourne. —Erection of telephone exchange—£5,500. With Deputy Postmaster-General <i>re</i> question of equipment	Fawknor
St. Arnaud. —Additions and alterations, &c.—£180. Awaiting details from Postal authorities	Grampians
Stawell. —Re-arrange telephone exchange—£375. Just authorized. Plans completed. Instructions issued to commence	Grampians
Sturt-street (South Melbourne). — Erection of motor garage—£450. Postmaster-General's Department advises that area required is not available Store for petrol. Awaiting erection of motor-garage	Fawknor
Tatura. —Additions—£525—authorized. Work completed departmentally	Echuca
Traralgon. —Increased accommodation—£340—authorized. Instructions issued to commence by Department of Labour	Gippsland
Underbool. —Erection of post office. Site acquired. Now awaiting particulars of requirements from Postmaster-General's Department	Wimmera

Postal Works—continued.

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Wangaratta — Alterations, &c.—£179 7s. 6d—authorized. Instructions issued to commence by Department of Labour Normal store—£145—authorized. To be carried out in conjunction with alterations	Indi
Winchelsea .—Erection of post office — £1,300 — authorized. Work in hand departmentally. .8 completed	Corangamite
Windsor .—Pole storage dépôt—£532. Awaiting approval of Postal authorities	Fawkner
Woodend .—Increased accommodation — £290 — authorized. Work completed departmentally	Grampians
Woomelang .—Erection—£1,850—authorized. Work completed departmentally	Wimmera
Yarra Bank .—S.M. Cable Dépôt—Erection of 900 feet fencing. Work completed departmentally	Melbourne Ports

DEFENCE WORKS.

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Abbotsford .—Erection of mobilization store—£400. Not to be proceeded with at present	Yarra
Albert Park — Painting and fencing drill hall and quarters—£360—authorized. Work completed departmentally Erect four additional rooms, provide shelves, &c.—£270. Not to be proceeded with at present	Fawkner
Alexandra-avenue — Sewering engineers' dépôt—£300. Matter still under consideration by Defence Department Painting officers' quarters at engineers' dépôt—£95—authorized. Work completed departmentally	Fawkner
Ascot Vale .—Erection of drill hall—£1,740—authorized. In hand departmentally, and .78 completed.	Maribyrnong
Aviation School .—See Point Cook Aviation School	Corio
Bacchus Marsh .—Construct target gallery, &c.—£535—authorized. In hand departmentally. .8 completed	Corio
Benalla .—Erect type 2 drill hall—£1,825—authorized. In hand departmentally, and .9 completed	Indi
Bendigo .—Erection of drill hall—£3,100—authorized. In hand departmentally, and .64 completed	Bendigo

Defence Works—continued.

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Broken Hill (N.S.W.)— Erection of drill hall—£2,500. Awaiting settlement of site Depôt for Field Ambulance A.M.C. Amended estimate awaiting approval	Barrier
Brunswick. —Erection of drill hall—£1,855—authorized. Work in hand departmentally. '96 completed	Bourke
Castlemaine. —Alterations and additions to drill hall—£529—authorized. Work completed departmentally	Bendigo
Caulfield. —Erection of mobilization store—£400. Not to be proceeded with at present	Henty
Chapel-street Drill Hall— Remove temporary harness room, &c.—£1,640—authorized. Work completed departmentally Provide electric light to A.F.A. and quarters—£90—authorized. Work in hand departmentally	Balaclava
Cobden. —Construct rifle range—£360—authorized. Work completed departmentally	Corangamite
Colac. —Erection three additional rooms at drill hall—£350—authorized. Work completed departmentally	Corangamite
Cordite Factory. —See Maribyrnong Cordite Factory.. ..	Maribyrnong
Corowa (N.S.W.). —Erection of drill hall—£1,010. Awaiting settlement of site question	Hume
Coventry-street. —Painting and fencing drill hall and quarters—£150—authorized. Work in hand departmentally. '94 completed	Melbourne Ports
Dandenong. —Erection of drill hall — £1,650 — authorized. In hand departmentally. '96 completed	Flinders
Daylesford. —Fencing at drill hall—£100—authorized. Work completed departmentally	Grampians
Elsternwick. —Erection of Military Hospital—£20,000. In hand departmentally. '6 completed	Henty
Footscray— Examining room and chronograph house, electric light, &c.—£60—authorized. Order issued on W. Cumming and Co. Work completed Erection mobilization store—£400. Not to be proceeded with at present	Melbourne Ports
Footscray Ammunition Factory. —Erect water-closet and septic tank—£140—authorized. About to be put in hand departmentally	Melbourne Ports
Geelong— Remove and erect buildings to permit of construction of drain—£85—authorized. Work completed departmentally Construction of drain at rifle range—£350—authorized. Work completed Erection of naval drill hall—£3,000—authorized. With Naval Secretary on account of site difficulties	Corio

Defence Works—continued.

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Geelong—continued—	
Blinds, shelving, &c., Osborne House—£203—authorized. Work completed departmentally	
Geelong Woollen Mills—	Corio
Construction—£14,998 (towards cost)—authorized. Work practically completed	
Boilers—£4,861 5s.—authorized. Contract let to Babcock and Wilcox. Completed	
Switch gear.—Contract let to Australian Metal Co.—£1,100. Completed	
High-speed “Silent” chain-gearing.—Contract let to Westinghouse Brake Co.—£716 15s. 6d. Work completed	
Pumping set for condenser.—Contract let to Robison and Co. Pty. Ltd.—£340. Completed	
Fuel economizer (Green’s type). Contract let to Fraser, Ramsay Pty. Ltd.—£1,098 12s. Work completed	
Gellibrand. —Painting drill hall and quarters—£200—authorized. Work completed departmentally	Melbourne Ports
Harness Factory (Clifton Hill)—	Batman
Extensions and additional sanitary work—£6,000—authorized. Work completed departmentally.	
Sleeper to bolt machines—£70. Awaiting approval	
Hawthorn. —Erect mobilization store—£400. Not to be proceeded with at present	Kooyong
Horsham. —Erection of drill hall—£1,210—authorized. Work in hand departmentally. .9 completed	Wannon
Ireland-street. —Coating roof with cement and oil—£50—authorized. Work completed departmentally	Melbourne
Lonsdale. —Electric light emplacements—£175. Awaiting approval	Melbourne
Maldon. —Erection of drill hall—£1,060—authorized. Work completed departmentally	Bendigo
Maribyrnong—	Maribyrnong
Remount dépôt, repairs and renewals—£53 7s. 6d.—authorized. .9 completed	
R.A.F.A. dépôt, fly-proof doors to quarters—£125—authorized. In hand departmentally. .75 completed	
Repairs and additions to quarters in magazine reserve—£360—authorized. In hand departmentally. .5 completed	
Erect forage stores at remount dépôt—£1,400—authorized. Work completed departmentally	
Underground telephone wires—£373 9s. 4d. Work completed	
Remount dépôt—Painting pharmacy, stables, offices, &c.—£296—authorized. Work completed departmentally	
R.A.F.A. dépôt—Brick surface drains at stables, &c.—£210—authorized. Work completed departmentally	

Defence Works—continued.

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Maribyrnong—continued—	
Repairs to quarters at Magazine Reserve—£265—In hand departmentally. .5 completed	
R.A.F.A.—Fill up water-hole, &c.—£290—awaiting approval	
R.A.F.A. Dépôt—Painting Pharmacy Stables—£296—authorized. Work completed departmentally.	
Maribyrnong Barracks. —Fencing, &c.—£225 (towards cost)—authorized. Work in hand departmentally, practically completed	Maribyrnong
Maribyrnong Cordite Factory—	Maribyrnong
Cordite factory—Alterations and additions, nitric acid factory—£200—authorized. Completed departmentally	
Coal storage yard—£150—authorized. Work completed. (Comprises various works reported on individually)	
Four store buildings—£2,000—authorized. Work in hand departmentally. .96 completed	
Additions to power and light plant—£1,100. In hand departmentally. .8 completed	
Magazine—£700—authorized. In hand departmentally. .8 completed	
Wet gun cotton building—£350. Work completed departmentally	
Mounds and tunnels to buildings, Nos. 23, 25, 26, 28—£1,250—authorized. Completed departmentally	
Septic tank at quarters—£450. In hand departmentally. .25 completed	
Quarters and annexe for officers—£900. Delayed owing to necessity for new alignment	
Alterations to coal bunkers—£150—authorized. Work practically completed	
Two covered trucks for conveying cordite in bulk—£98. Work in hand departmentally	
Maribyrnong Magazine. —Repairs to roof gutter, spouting, &c. Requisition—£98. Work just commenced departmentally	Maribyrnong
Melbourne Victoria Barracks—	Melbourne
Additions—£7,000 (towards £35,000)—authorized. Work is proceeding satisfactorily .29 completed	
Furniture for Base Records—£61 11s. 9d.—approved. Supply completed	
Furniture for S.O.E.'s store—£1,216 8s. Awaiting approval	
Renewing tent repairing store partition—£230—authorized. Work completed departmentally	
School of Instruction—Repairs to roof—£55—approved. Work completed departmentally	
Furniture for Munitions Committee—£65 16s. Being supplied departmentally. Nearly completed	

Defence Works—continued.

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Melbourne Victoria Barracks—continued.	
Erection of offices at rear of Head-Quarters—£1,600.	
In hand departmentally .8 completed	
Furniture for Director of Works office—£114 7s. Supply completed	
Remove shelving, &c., Ordnance Depôt—£70. Work completed departmentally	
Melbourne—	Fawkner
Clothing Factory—removal and re-erection of temporary store—£1,110—authorized. Completed departmentally	
Clothing Factory—Additions—£3,300—authorized. Work in hand departmentally. .65 completed	Flinders
Nepean—	
Cut away parapet and erect hut for garrison—£1,790—authorized. .9 completed	
Erection barracks for engineers—£2,000—authorized. Work in hand departmentally. .84 completed	
Jetty improvements—£85—authorized. Work completed departmentally	
Complete officers' accommodation, &c.—£1,100—authorized. To be carried out departmentally. Material ordered	
Lavatories at engine-room—£130—approved. To be carried out departmentally. Material ordered	Flinders
Nepean Fort—	
Construction of sea wall. .6 completed	
Water supply—Additional—£250. Completed departmentally	
North Fitzroy. —Erection of drill hall—£1,675—authorized. Work completed departmentally	Batman
Numurkah. —Dismantle, repair woodwork, extend stop-butt—£302 10s.—authorized. Held up awaiting site	Echuca
Pearce Fort—	Corio
Erection of huts for garrison—£2,923—and supply of tanks—£375. Work in hand departmentally. .77 completed	
Construct new B.C. station—£125—just authorized. Plans practically completed	
Point Cook (Aviation Depot)—	Corio
Erection workshops, erection double hangar, hangar for water-plane, quarters for married officer, motor garage—£10,100—approved. Works in hand departmentally. .4 completed	
Fly doors and windows for barrack dining rooms, &c.—£120—authorized. Work completed departmentally	
Erection additional cottage for warrant officer—£675—authorized. Work completed departmentally	
Extending single mechanics' quarters—£1,250—authorized. Work completed departmentally	

Defence Works—continued.

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Point Cook (Aviation Depot) — <i>continued</i> —	
Drainage, clearing ground, &c.—£69 15s.—authorized. Still held up on account of weather conditions	
Light roadway—£767. Held up on account of unfavorable weather	
Installation of electric light—£1,400—authorized. Work in hand departmentally. .8 completed	
Point Lonsdale —	Corio
Construct engine-house, erect E.L.D. station, &c.—£2,387—authorized. Completed departmentally	
Excavate for and construct underground tank—£187—authorized. Completed departmentally	
Port Fairy .—Construction of boatshed and slipway—£300—authorized. In hand departmentally. .4 completed	Wannon
Portland .—Erection of boatshed—£425—authorized. Work in hand departmentally .4 completed	Wannon
Port Melbourne —Erect shelter shed—£420—authorized. In hand departmentally. .23 completed	Melbourne Ports
Powlett-street —Install electric light at drill hall and quarters—£53 10s. In hand departmentally. .3 completed	Melbourne
Queenscliff —	Corio
Repairs and painting—£98 10s.—authorized. Work completed	
Level and regrade parade ground, sow grass, &c.—£205—authorized. Completed departmentally	
Erection of telephone exchange at Fort—£210—authorized. Work completed departmentally	
Construct E.L. emplacement—£300—authorized. Completed departmentally	
Erection of hut accommodation and underground tanks for garrison—£3,865—authorized. Work in hand departmentally. .7 completed	
Construct retaining wall on to beach at exit of tunnel—£120. Awaiting approval	
Make up earth parapet at B.C. and E.L.D. Station.—£144. Awaiting approval	
Richmond —	Yarra
Erection of new drill hall—£1,785—authorized. Work completed departmentally	
Erection of mobilization, vehicle, and equipment stores—£400—authorized. Work completed departmentally	
Sale Rifle Range .—Erect target store—£99—authorized. .8 completed	Gippsland
Shepparton .—Erection of drill hall—£1,720—authorized. Work completed departmentally	Echuca
South Melbourne .—Roof over menage, &c., at Sturt-street—£1,150—authorized. In hand departmentally .7 completed	Fawkner

Defence Works—continued.

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Stawell. —Erection post and wire fence around boundaries of rifle range — £225 — authorized. Completed departmentally	Grampians
Stawell Drill Hall. —Erection—£1,438 1s.—authorized. Work completed departmentally	Grampians
St. Kilda. —Erection of mobilization store and vehicle shed—£400—authorized. In hand departmentally. .6 completed	Balaclava
Sturt-street. —Painting drill hall and quarters—£210—authorized. Work completed departmentally	Fawkner
Surrey Hills. —Mobilization store—£400. Not to be proceeded with at present	Kooyong
Swan Island. — Repairs to tar-paved area, painting woodwork at Fort—£355 —authorized. In hand departmentally. .62 completed Improvements latrine accommodation, parade ground and buildings—£600—authorized. Work in hand departmentally. .9 completed	Corio
Terang Drill Hall. —Erection—£950—authorized. Delayed awaiting settlement of site	Corangamite
Trafalgar. —Construct gallery, &c., at rifle range—£435—authorized. In hand departmentally. .72 completed	Gippsland
Wangaratta. —Drill hall, erection of—£1,558 15s.—authorized. Work in hand departmentally .74 completed	Indi
Warracknabeal. —Construction of rifle range—£610—authorized. In hand departmentally. .1 completed	Wimmera
Williamstown. — Construction of Naval drill hall.—£5,000. Site acquired. Requisition awaiting approval of Naval authorities Asphalting floor of Naval boatshed and approaches to boat-slip—£80 5s.—authorized. Completed departmentally Painting officers' block, &c.—£85 7s. 6d.—authorized. In hand departmentally. .5 completed	Melbourne Ports
Wodonga. —Erection drill hall—£1,100—authorized. In hand departmentally. .6 completed	Indi
Wool Exchange. — Provide glass partitions to divide rooms—£71 15s. Completed departmentally	Melbourne
Woollen Mills. —See Geelong Woollen Mills	Corio

TRADE AND CUSTOMS WORKS.

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Coode Island— Caretaker's cottage—£1,000.—Referred to the Director of Quarantine for approval Sheep pens—£275. Referred to Director of Quarantine for approval Dog kennels—£400. Referred to Director of Quarantine for approval Metal roadways—£900. Referred to Director of Quarantine for approval	Melbourne Ports
Melbourne Customs House. —Ventilation—£200—authorized. In hand departmentally. Work .9 completed	Melbourne
Melbourne. —Repairs to ceilings and pantry—£190. In hand departmentally. .45 completed	Melbourne
Point Nepean Quarantine— New store building and road—£450—authorized. Instructions issued to carry out departmentally Hot baths, lavatory, &c.—£4,500. Work in hand departmentally Disinfecting chamber—£84 10s.—authorized. Work completed Steam ejector for disinfecting chamber—£75—authorized. Being arranged by mechanical engineer. Material ready for erection Beds, beddings, &c.—£374 18s. Supply completed Extension present clean luggage shed, £475—authorized. In hand departmentally. .3 completed Fencing—£613—authorized. In hand departmentally. .25 completed	Flinders
Repairs, renewals, &c.—£68 14s. 6d. In hand departmentally. .25 completed	Flinders
Portland. —Repairs and painting—£160—authorized. Completed departmentally	Wannon
Royal Park. —Laboratory fittings—£120. Completed departmentally	Melbourne
Royal Park Vaccine Depot. —Underground drain, water supply, &c.—£95—authorized. In hand departmentally. .77 completed	Melbourne
Williamstown Customs House. —Painting and providing means for cleaning windows—£175 authorized. Completed departmentally	Melbourne Ports

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POSTAL SITES.

Site.	Federal Electoral Division.
George-street (Brisbane) Post Office. —The Postmaster-General's Department requests that no further action be taken at present to acquire a site	Oxley
South Brisbane Post Office. —The Postmaster-General's Department requests that no further action be taken at present to acquire a site	Oxley
Twin Hill Postal Area. —An area of about 160 acres acquired from the State Government on the 25th September, 1915. Compensation money paid 25th October, 1915	Capricornia
Warwick Pole Depot. —The Postmaster-General's Department requests that no further action be taken at present to acquire a site	Darling Downs

DEFENCE SITES.

Site.	Federal Electoral Division.
Dutton Park Drill Hall. —An area of about 2 acres 2 roods 34 perches in the vicinity of the Railway Station, being re-subdivision 1 of sub-division A, portion 204, acquired 18th September, 1915. Claim for compensation received and being dealt with	Oxley
Enoggera Rifle Range (Additions to). —An area of 102 acres acquired on the 18th November, 1915. Claims for compensation awaited	Brisbane
Homebush Rifle Range. —Valuation of about 54 acres furnished to the Defence Department on the 3rd November, 1915	Herbert
Townsville (West End) Drill Hall. —A site being portions 34 and 35 of Reserve at West End acquired from the State Government on the 4th November, 1915. Compensation money agreed upon and action being taken to effect payment	Herbert

QUARANTINE SITES.

Site.	Federal Electoral Division.
Lytton Quarantine Station. —Site, being lots 1 to 11, inclusive of section 15, having an area of about 22 acres, acquired on the 28th August, 1915. Claims for compensation received and being dealt with	Oxley
Lytton Quarantine Station. —Negotiations proceeding with the State Government respecting the acquisition of certain roads involved in the site	Oxley

POSTAL WORKS.

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Albion. —Erection of telephone exchange—£3,100. Building operations suspended until contract is let for equipment. Minor alteration to old exchange now in hand by Departmental labour	Lilley
Atherton. —Painting quarters, &c. Contract—£84—let to John Brewer, 22nd October, 1915. Time for completion, six weeks	Herbert
Bowen. —Erection of post office—£630. Sketch plans approved. State Public Works Department instructed to prepare working plans, 25th October, 1915	Herbert
Brisbane G.P.O. — Alterations to mail room—£600. Work in hand departmentally. '98 completed	Brisbane
Bulimba. —Erection of telephone exchange—£550. Awaiting submission of requisition by Postmaster-General's Department	Oxley
Caboolture. —Additional accommodation—£100 to be provided on Estimates, 1915-16. Postmaster-General making further inquiries	Lilley
Cairns. —Repairs, painting, &c.—£305—authorized. Contract let to Beattie and Franzman for £234 10s. Work completed	Herbert
Cooktown. — Construction of cement drain at wireless station—£90—authorized. Work completed Road to wireless station—£133 15s. 2d.—authorized. Work completed	Herbert
Cunnamulla. —Fencing and alterations to stables—£301 10s.—authorized. Contract let to F. Herd. Work completed.	Maranoa
Nambow-Kenilworth. —Telephone line construction—£656 4s. In hand by Postal Department, almost completed	Lilley

Postal Works—continued.

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Kynuna. —Erection of post office and quarters—£960. In abeyance pending passage of Estimates, 1915-16. Working plans completed	Kennedy
Maryborough. —Alterations and repairs—£640—authorized. Contract let to W. E. Ferguson for £640. Work .9 completed	Wide Bay
Nerang. —Repairs and painting—£99—approved. Tenders returnable 19th November, 1915	Moreton
Newmarket. —Erection of telephone exchange—£575. Being held up by Postmaster-General's Department pending letting of contract for equipment	Lilley
Paddington. —Erection of telephone exchange—£790. Being held up by Postmaster-General's Department pending letting of contract for equipment	Brisbane
Pentland. —Erection of post office. Inspection being made	Kennedy
Richmond. —Erection of telephone exchange room—£125. Requisition with Deputy Postmaster-General	Kennedy
Sherwood. —Erection of telephone exchange—£550. Being held up by Postmaster-General's Department pending letting of contract for equipment	Oxley
South Brisbane. —Erection of telephone exchange—£2,000. Being held up by Postmaster-General's Department pending letting of contract for equipment	Oxley
Thargomindah. —Repairs to office and residence—£715 10s. Work in hand. .25 completed	Maranoa
Toowoomba P.O. —Repairs to turret clock—£60. Contract for £57 10s. let to A. Herga and Co.	Darling Downs
Toowong. —Accommodation for telephone exchange—£900. Being held up by Postmaster-General's Department pending letting of contract for equipment	Brisbane
Townsville. —Repairs and furniture—£1,085 10s. 8d.—authorized. In hand by Home Affairs Departmental Staff. .05 completed	Herbert
Additions, &c.—£1,860. In hand by Home Affairs Departmental Staff. .05 completed	
Urandangie. —Replacing windmill, &c.—£220. For 1915-16 Estimates	Kennedy
Winton. —Extension of mail room—£430—authorized. Contract let to Lewis and Hudson, and .9 completed	Kennedy
Wynnum. —Erection of post office—£1,583. Postmaster-General asked for schedule of accommodation so that plans can be prepared	Oxley
Yeronga. —Erection of telephone exchange—£400. Held up by Postmaster-General's Department pending settlement of question of equipment	Oxley

DEFENCE WORKS.

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Alhara. —Erection of drill hall—£840—authorized. Working plans completed. Draft specifications in hand. Work to be commenced shortly	Darling Downs
Brisbane — Victoria Barracks—Alterations to boundary fence—£477. Under consideration of State Commandant Painting Naval stores—£340—authorized. Work completed Erection of Naval drill hall, boat shed, and quarters—£4,034. Deferred by instructions of Naval Department Erection of fumigating room—£75—authorized. Tender of J. Corbett accepted—£55 12s. Work completed	Brisbane
Cairns — Repairs and extension of boat slip—£220—authorized. Contract let to C. P. Jorgensen—£220. .3 completed Repairs and improvements to rifle range—£97 10s.—authorized. Contract let to C. P. Jorgensen—£97 10s. Due for completion in two months Construct miniature rifle range—£140. Sketch plans approved Re-painting drill hall, &c.—£149 7s. 6d.—authorized. Contract let to J. Brewer—£149 7s. 6d. Work completed	Herbert
Charters Towers. —Removal and re-erection of sanitary depôt—£1,115 9s. 6d. Awaiting report by Defence Department	Kennedy
Dutton Park. —Erection of drill hall. Requisition received from Defence Department 2nd November, 1915. Sketch plan and estimate now being prepared	Wide Bay
Enoggera — Construction of Barracks, &c., for R.A.F.A.—£41,000—authorized. In hand departmentally. Work .9 completed. Instructions just received to convert buildings for temporary hospital use Repairs and improvements to forage barn—£71—authorized. Contract let to T. Curry for £49 19s. Work completed Fencing and gates at Remount Depôt—£126—authorized. Contract let to J. Rose for £107 3s. .9 completed Fire Service—£183 15s.—authorized. Contract let to A. Keddie, £121 3s. 6d. Work completed Repairs at Magazine—£183 10s.—just authorized. Work in hand departmentally Eradication of Burr—£50 approved. .25 completed	Brisbane
Gayndah. —Clear prickly pear, &c., from rifle range—£160—authorized. Contract let to A. MacDonald, £160. Work completed	Wide Bay
Ipswich — Painting and repairs to drill hall—£138.—authorized. Contract let to J. Catlow for £138. Completed Improvements to drill hall—£75—authorized. Carried out with painting and repairs and completed	Moreton

Defence Works—continued.

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Kelvin Grove— Accommodation for engineers—£1,655—authorized. Contract let to W. Chaplain, £1,555. Work completed Erection of drill hall, waggon shed, &c.—£2,150—authorized. Just commenced. .05 completed Erection of post and rail fence—£344—authorized. Awaiting completion of A.F.A. Dépôt Gun park for field artillery.—£7,400. In hand departmentally. Work .95 completed. Instructions just received to temporarily convert into hospital	Brisbane
Lytton— Permanent huts for R.A.G.A.—£1,104—authorized. Carried out departmentally. Work completed Forage shed—£333—authorized. Contract let to A. H. Paten, £285. Work completed Ordnance Buildings Renewals—£99 10s.—authorized. Materials coming to hand	Oxley
Maryborough— Erection of fence, provision of gates, &c.—£166—authorized. Contract let to W. E. Fergusson. Completed Repairs to roof of drill hall—£252—authorized. Contract—£252—let to W. Wells. .1 completed	Wide Bay
Sandgate.— Erection drill hall—£1,026—authorized. Contract let to Adkins and Carrick—£886 5s. .9 completed	Lilley
Southport.— Additions to rifle range—£380—authorized. Contract let to A. MacDonald—£370. Completed	Moreton
Thursday Island— Lay on water to camp—£150—authorized. Contract let to Torres St. Plumbing Works. Completed Improvements, &c., to rifle range—£78 15s.—authorized. Work .9 completed Isolation magazines at Forts—£65—authorized. Contract let to J. Young. Work completed Repairs and additions to barracks—£467 13s. 6d.—authorized. Being carried out with work costing £78 15s. by J. Young. .9 completed	Herbert
Toowong.— Erection of drill hall—£1,720—authorized. Contract let to G. Rogers for £1,395. Work completed	Brisbane
Toowoomba— Erection of stop-butt at rifle range—£95—authorized. Contract let to A. MacDonald—£68. Completed Construct additional range—£715. Requisition being dealt with	Darling Downs

Defence Works—continued.

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Townsville— Erection of West End drill hall—£1,770—authorized. Contract let to J. Doyle—£1,770. Work completed Erection of Naval drill hall—£1,750—authorized. Site being cleared. Work to be done by Departmental labour	Herbert
Kissing Point Fort— Painting—£243—authorized. Tender of G. Lear, £178, accepted. Work completed Repairs to fencing at magazines—£152 6s. 6d.—authorized. Contract let to De Graaf and Lewer for £120 6s. Completed	

TRADE AND CUSTOMS WORKS.

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Cape Pallarenda (Townsville). — Erection of quarantine buildings—£5,850—authorized. In hand departmentally. .25 completed	Herbert
Lytton— Bathing, disinfecting, laundry, boiler-house, blocks, and waitingroom—£5,400—authorized. In hand departmentally. .5 completed Laundry plant—£850. Estimates of cost forwarded to Director of Quarantine Steam disinfecting plant—£1,775. Estimates of cost forwarded to Director of Quarantine Steam disinfecting chamber—£300. Estimates of cost forwarded to Director of Quarantine Administration Block, Detention Block and Staff Quarters, &c.—£12,250—approved. Working plans being prepared	Oxley
Mackay— Removing piles under King's warehouse—£158 19s. Tender of J. Kingsmill accepted. .2 completed.	Herbert
Normanton— Repairs. Contract just let to J. W. Cant, £53 2s. 9d. Completed	Kennedy
Thursday Island Quarantine— Erection of store, laundry, bath block, &c.—£1,677—authorized. Contract let to A. May for £1,495. .4 completed Erect building to house two steam disinfectors—£360—authorized. Preliminaries in hand by State Public Works Department	Herbert



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POSTAL SITES.

Site.	Federal Electoral Division.
Adelaide General Post Office. —Property having a frontage of about 90 feet to Franklin-street, acquired 18th September, 1915. Claims for compensation receiving attention	Adelaide
Brighton Telephone Exchange. —Action proceeding towards the acquisition of part of lot 15 at the corner of Hartley and Brighton roads	Barker
Clare Telephone Exchange. —Negotiations proceeding with the State Government respecting the acquisition of a room for additional accommodation to the Telephone Exchange	Wakefield
Glenelg Telephone Exchange. —Action proceeding towards the acquisition of an area at the corner of Jetty and Brighton roads	Barker
Port Adelaide Post Office. —Approval given to accept offer of State Government to sell a site having a frontage of 69 feet to St. Vincent-street. Plan and technical description now awaited from the State authorities	Hindmarsh

DEFENCE SITES.

Site.	Federal Electoral Division.
Mount Barker Drill Hall. —Executive approval now being sought for the acquisition of part of lot 176 adjacent to the Mount Barker Railway Station, having an area of about 2 acres 28 perches, which the Premier of South Australia states will be accepted in exchange for portion of the Police Horse Paddock	Barker
Port Adelaide Naval Boat Shed. —Executive approval being sought for the acquisition of a site having 100 feet frontage to the river by 300 feet along Fletcher-street. Compensation agreed upon	Hindmarsh

POSTAL WORKS.

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Adelaide G.P.O.—	Adelaide
Electric lighting—£800—authorized. Specification in hand. Postmaster-General's Department has asked that work be carried out by their engineers	
Ventilation of telephone exchange—£965—authorized. Specification in hand	
Erection of Lamson carrier and fittings—£75—authorized. In abeyance at request of Postal Department	
Erection of postal stores—£3,911—authorized. Completed	
Cleaning and renovating rooms and sweeping chimneys—£253 —authorized. Approaching completion	
Additional accommodation—£1,000. Superintendent of Pub- lic Buildings reports a start just made with sketches	
Renovating certain rooms—£132—authorized. Completed	
Alterations to posting slips and necessary lettering on re- ceivers—£85. Work in hand. .75 completed	
Renovate operating room—£110. Nothing done. Authority just received	
Ardrossan—	Wakefield
Repairs—£98—authorized. Completed	
Erection of verandah—£80—authorized. Work being carried out by contract	
Arno Bay—	Grey
Improvements—£137 10s.—authorized. Completed	
Painting, &c.—£56. Start just made with work	
Balaklava. —Alterations—£123—authorized. Practically com- pleted	Wakefield
Beachport. —Renovate office and quarters—£65. Completed	Barker
Blyth. —Erection of post office—£500 (towards £1,500)—autho- rized. Concrete foundations and footings going in	Wakefield
Booleroo Centre. —Repairs and maintenance—£90—authorized. Completed	Grey
Brighton. —External painting and fencing—£66 10s.—autho- rized. Fencing completed. Painting will be put in hand shortly.	Barker
Burnside. —Alterations—£111—authorized. Completed ..	Boothby
Caltowie. —Washhouse, &c.—£60—authorized. Completed ..	Grey
Elliston. —Renewing roof, &c.—£59. Just approved ..	Grey
Farina. —Repairs and renovations to office and quarters—£79— authorized. Departmental painters will commence shortly	Grey
Fowler's Bay. —Bathroom and washhouse, &c.—£53—autho- rized. Completed	Grey
Gawler. —Additions and alterations — £870 — authorized. Practically completed	Angas

Postal Works—continued.

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Georgetown. —Erect verandah and washhouse—£50—authorized. Work being carried out by contract	Grey
Gladstone. —Erect normal store—£70—authorized. About to be put in hand	Grey
Goodwood. —Alterations — £345 — authorized. Sketch plans prepared	Hindmarsh
Hammond. —Erect bathroom, washhouse, &c.—£59 2s. 6d.—authorized. Work being carried out by contract	Grey
Lobethal. —Repairs and painting—£84 5s. Completed ..	Angas
Millicent. —Erect room for telephone exchange—£160—authorized. Work in hand. .25 completed	Barker
Mount Gambier. —Alterations to telephone exchange—£72. Plans in hand	Barker
Parkside. —Alterations and renovations—£121—authorized. Work in hand. .5 completed	Boothby
Penola. —Renewal of window cords, sashes, &c.—£50. Work will be carried out by local tradesmen shortly	Barker
Petersburg. —Additional accommodation—£750. Noted on draft Estimates 1915-16	Grey
Port Adelaide. — Culvert and crossing at storage yard—£86—authorized. Completed Electric light and fittings—£68—authorized. Order issued on Postmaster-General's Department to carry out work. In hand. .5 completed Alterations to telephone exchange—£160—authorized. In hand departmentally, and .8 completed. Delayed at request of Postal authorities	Hindmarsh
Red Hill. —Renovations—£78—authorized. Completed ..	Wakefield
Renmark. —Erection of room for exchange—£230—authorized. Preliminaries in hand in anticipation of passing of Estimates	Wakefield
Riverton. —Additions and alterations—£617—authorized. Walls, new dining room, up. Work proceeding satisfactorily	Wakefield
Salisbury. —Fencing—£82—authorized. Completed ..	Angas
Stirling West. —Erect telephone exchange—£300. Provision to be made on 1915-16 Estimates. Working plans being prepared in anticipation of passing of Estimates	Barker
Stockwell. —Erect washhouse, verandah, &c.—£75—authorized. Completed	Angas
St. Peters. —Erection of new office and quarters—£500 (towards £1,550)—authorized. In hand. .8 completed	Boothby

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Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Strathalbyn. —Erection normal store—£70. About to be commenced	Barker
Tanunda. —Hooded balcony — £125 — authorized. Tender accepted. In abeyance pending decision balcony to foot-path	Angas
Thebarton. —Erect kitchen, pantry, &c.—£330—authorized. Completed	Hindmarsh
Victor Harbor. —Erect new office—£1,950. Amended plan under consideration	Barker
Wallaroo. — Erect normal store—£63. About to be commenced Repairs and painting—£80—authorized. Completed	Wakefield
West Terrace. — Shed for cable-jointing staff—£112—authorized. Completed Repairs to floors and windows of cottages—£50—authorized. Work in hand. .5 completed	Adelaide
Wilmington. —Additions and alterations—£120. Awaiting approval	Grey
Wirrabara. —Repairs, renovations, fencing, &c.—£215—authorized. Completed	Grey

DEFENCE WORKS.

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Adelaide. — Improvements to A.F.A. stores—£120—authorized. Completed Erection of engineers' dépôt—£1,745—authorized. Completed except painting Furniture for District Head-Quarters—£173—authorized. Practically completed	Adelaide

Defence Works—continued.

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Balaklava— Remove stables, erect fence, &c.—£348—authorized. Completed Erection of drill hall. Site acquired. Tenders under consideration	Wakefield
Birkenhead.— Erect quarters for naval drill hall. With Works Registrar for amended estimate of cost on lines defined by Naval Secretary	Hindmarsh
Gawler.— Fill up parade ground—£98—authorized. Completed	Angas
Glanville— Erection of naval drill hall—£3,000. Requisition with State Public Works Department. Site acquired Erection of military drill hall—£900. Requisition just received	Hindmarsh
Glenelg.— Erection of drill hall—£910—authorized. Completed	Barker
Jamestown.— Erection of closets, fencing, and lighting quarters—£50 10s.—authorized. Completed	Wakefield
Keswick— Erection of drill hall—£2,000—authorized. Completed Form roadway and provide double gates—£90—authorized, Receiving further consideration Alterations and additions to R.A.F.A. stables—£220—authorized. Completed Ordnance store and sanatorium huts—£4,900. .95 completed Barracks—Erect motor garage, &c.—£180. Plans .5 completed	Hindmarsh
Largs— Repairs—£96. Work in hand. .25 completed Cleaning water main—£65—authorized. Work delayed owing to shortage of water Re-construct target shed—£55—authorized. To be commenced shortly by Departmental labour	Hindmarsh
Moonta— Erect drill hall—£910—authorized. Completed Fencing, providing tank, &c.—£201—authorized. .85 completed Construction of rifle range—£300. In hand. .75 completed	Wakefield
Mount Gambier.— Fencing at rifle range—£110. In hand. .25 completed	Barker
Naracoorte.— Repairs to drill hall—£125—authorized. Completed	Barker

Defence Works—*continued.*

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Noarlunga— Maintenance and improvements—£85—authorized. Completed Provision of breaking-in yards—£300—authorized. Completed Erect three quarters at remount dépôt—£1,915—authorized. Work in hand. •3 completed Remount farm—Construct water service, dam, &c.—£360. Will commence when season permits	Barker
North Terrace— Remove shed from ordnance compound—£95—authorized. Completed Convert ordnance store into gun park—£244—authorized. Completed Convert ordnance store into engineer dépôt—£259—authorized. Completed, except painting urinals, &c.	Adelaide
Nuriootpa.— Additions and alterations to drill hall—£199—authorized. Completed	Angas
Petersburg— Erection of drill hall—£900—authorized. Completed Electric light, &c.—£176—authorized. Lighting completed. Fencing in hand	Grey
Port Adelaide— Removal and re-erection of building—£1,800—authorized. Private offer being obtained for removal of sheds Install targets, and provide head cover, seats—£713—authorized. Work in hand departmentally. •8 completed Erect drill hall—£1,150. Completed Telephone to Wingfield—£80 19s. 1d.—authorized. Completed Repairs to mantlet on rifle range—£102. Authorized. About to be commenced	Hindmarsh
Port Lincoln.— Additions to Naval Base—£100. Awaiting requisition	Grey
Somerton.— Erection of drill hall. Awaiting receipt of requisition	Barker
Wallaroo— Additions and electric light—£200—authorized. Completed Lining, iron sheathing, and mound with planks—£50—authorized. Completed	Wakefield
Wingfield— Erection of caretaker's quarters—£705—authorized. Completed	Hindmarsh

TRADE AND CUSTOMS WORKS.

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Port Adelaide— Electric fans—£120. Tenders received Painting externally, Customs House—£294 10s. About to be commenced Fitting out chemical laboratory—£394. In hand. •3 completed	Hindmarsh
Semaphore. —Renovations and repairs to Boarding Inspector's residence—£106 10s.—authorized. Completed	Hindmarsh
Torrens Island Quarantine— Erection of waiting room—£700—authorized. Completed Mosquito proofing tanks—£50—authorized. Completed New store building and kerosene store—£550—authorized. Completed Erection of attendant's cottage—£550. Plans in hand. •75 completed Laundry plant, washing machine, and standard type disinfecter—£2,760—authorized. Contract let to J. O'Grady Repairs to fences, extend pilings, and make good washaways. Requisition—£675. Authority just received Bedsteads, pillow mattresses, towels, &c.—£512. Authorized order issued	Hindmarsh

NORTHERN TERRITORY.

WORKS.

Darwin—

Water supply for Postmaster-General's Department—£300—authorized. Work being carried out by boring gang of Works Branch, Northern Territory.

Sanitary arrangements—£1,200—authorized. Approval forwarded to External Affairs, who will carry out this work.

Construction of cement drain at post-office—£75—authorized. Held over for present.

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POSTAL SITES.

Site.	Federal Electoral Division.
Cottesloe Beach Post Office. —Action proceeding towards the acquisition of Lots 15 and 16 in Glyde-street. Instructions issued for survey 23rd October, 1915	Fremantle
Mundaring Post Office. —Report awaited as to suitability for building purposes of site suggested by Postmaster-General's Department	Swan
Williams Post Office. —Action proceeding towards the acquisition of Lots 1, 2 and 3 at the corner of Brooking-street and Albany-road. Instructions issued to survey 30th September, 1915	Swan

DEFENCE SITES.

Site.	Federal Electoral Division.
Guildford Ammunition Stores (Road of access to). —Negotiations proceeding with the State Government for the acquisition for road purposes of an area of about 1 chain wide by 8 chains long, being part of Reserve 1286	Fremantle
Henderson Naval Base. —Private lands (about 5,800 acres) acquired on the 3rd May, 1915. A large number of claims have been received and are being reported upon by the Commonwealth Crown Solicitor	Fremantle
Kalgoorlie Drill Ground. —Lots 328 to 321 with a frontage to Brookman-street acquired from the State Government on the 28th August, 1915. Compensation money paid on the 2nd October, 1915	Kalgoorlie
North Perth Drill Hall (Site No. 2.) —An area being lots 51 and 52, Location 653, with a frontage of approximately 292 feet to Albert-street acquired 18th November, 1915. Claim for compensation awaited	Swan
Subiaco Drill Hall. —A site at the corner of Nicholson and Keightley-roads acquired on the 1st April, 1915. Negotiations proceeding towards the amount of compensation money which shall be paid	Perth

QUARANTINE SITES.

Site.	Federal Electoral Division.
Bunbury Quarantine Station. —A site, being Wellington Locations P. 401, P. 402, and P. 403, acquired on the 29th May, 1915. Claims for compensation received and negotiations proceeding with the claimants as to compensation which shall be paid	Swan
Fremantle Animal Quarantine Station. —Action proceeding towards the acquisition of portion of Swan Location 69, having a frontage to the Swan River	Fremantle

POSTAL WORKS.

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Albany. —Sanitary conveniences and alterations—£450—approved. Work completed departmentally	Swan
Bremer. —Erection of two-roomed building—£200. Work deferred until 1916-17 Estimates	Swan
Brisbane-street. —Replace shingle roof with iron—£88 5s.—authorized. Work in hand	Perth
Bunbury. —Additions—£1,250—authorized. Work in hand departmentally. .5 completed	Swan
Busselton. —Structural alterations—£120. Awaiting approval	Swan
Cue — Remove wall between telegraph office and counter room—£86—authorized. Contract let to C. Gould. Work completed Renewing plaster—£18 12s. 6d.—authorized. Being carried out in conjunction with other work	Dampier
Cottesloe Beach. —Erection—£975. Amended estimate with Postal Department	Fremantle
Eyre-Eucla. —Telegraph line material for water sheds, &c.—£244—authorized. Completed departmentally	Kalgoorlie
East Fremantle. —Sewerage connexions—£90—authorized. Work completed departmentally	Fremantle
Esperance. —Construction oil store at wireless station—£170—authorized. Work in hand departmentally. .1 completed	Kalgoorlie
Fremantle. —Sewerage—£300. Noted on Estimates 1915-16	Fremantle
Geraldton. —Alterations—£2,500. Proposed to erect one building for Commonwealth Departments costing £16,500	Dampier

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Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Gnowangerup. —Erection—£1,800. Site gazetted. Working plans in hand	Swan
Israelite Bay. —General repairs—£173. Awaiting approval	
Kalgoorlie. —Alterations to post office—£723—authorized. Not to be proceeded with this financial year	Kalgoorlie
Alterations and renovations—£68 1s. 4d.—authorized. Post-master-General recommends work to cost £300	
Extend old kerosene store—£145—authorized. Contract let to W. Park—£126. Work completed departmentally	
Marble Bar. —Erect verandah at back of building—£110—authorized. Instructions issued to proceed	Dampier
Meekatharra. —Additions and alterations—£1,075—authorized. Contract let to Crooks and Brooker—£1,075. Work well in hand	Dampier
North Perth. —Erect office and quarters—£1,000 towards cost—authorized. Work completed departmentally	Perth
Norseman. —Erect dividing wall—£70 15s.—authorized. Instructions issued to carry out by contract. Tenders called	Kalgoorlie
Perth General Post Office. —(New Building).—Tender of W. C. Arnott—£232,700—accepted by State Public Works Department. Due for completion, 16th October, 1917. Work proceeding satisfactorily	Perth
Supply lino. for floors—£57 7s. 3d.—authorized. Supply completed	
Pingelly. —Structural alterations—£1,275. Work deferred	Swan
Ravensthorpe. —Provision of wash-house, fencing, &c.—£68 10s.—authorized. Work completed departmentally	Kalgoorlie
Sandstone. —Renewals, repairs, painting, &c.—£95 0s. 6d.—authorized. Contract let to Greenhalgh and Longley—£95 0s. 6d. Work completed	Dampier
Southern Cross. —General repairs to office—£132 17s. 6d.—authorized. To be carried out by contract. Tenders called	Kalgoorlie
Whim Creek. —Erection—£1,550. Held over on account of war	Dampier
Wyndham Radio Station. —Repairs to spouting—£52 7s. 6d.—authorized. Work in hand	Dampier
Youanmi. —Removal of old post office from Lennonville. Still deferred owing to industrial troubles	Dampier

DEFENCE WORKS.

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Albany— Boatshed and slipway, revised estimate—£1,569. Instructions issued to put work in hand Level parade ground, fencing, &c.—£160—authorized. Work completed departmentally Painting forts and barracks—£81 12s. 9d.—authorized. Work completed departmentally Erection drill hall—£1,600—authorized. Work completed departmentally R.A.G.A.—Provide drainage and septic tank—£695—authorized. Working drawings in hand Erect two additional offices, shelving, &c.—£75—authorized. Work in hand	Swan
Boulder.— Demolish room on east side of Drill Hall, and erect lean-to office and store—£225. Awaiting approval	Kalgoorlie
East Perth.— Erection of buildings for Field Ambulance, A.M.C. Corps—£1,800. Awaiting approval	Perth
Fremantle— R.A.G.A. Barracks.—Erect galvanized iron shed—£143 19s.—authorized. Completed departmentally Construct six quarters for married N.C.O.'s and men—£3,000 towards cost authorized. In hand departmentally. Progressing satisfactorily Construct drains at Fort Forrest—£50—authorized. Work completed departmentally Construct drains, cisterns, and fittings to communicate with sewer at Arthur's Head Fort—£334 10s.—authorized. About to be put in hand	Fremantle
Guildford— Construction of roadway at Remount Depot. Sketch plan with Requisitioning Department for approval Erection ammunition stores—£1,950—authorized. Work in hand departmentally and progressing satisfactorily Gravel area between two gun parks—£85—authorized. Work completed departmentally Erect building for Field Artillery, District Head-Quarters—£1,170. Work in hand departmentally. •5 completed	Fremantle
Geraldton.— Install electric light and fencing, &c., at drill hall—£98 7s. 6d. Fencing •1 completed. Other work not to be proceeded with at present	Dampier
Harvey.— Provide office accommodation at drill hall—£74—authorized. Work in hand departmentally. Awaiting delivery of material	Swan
Karrakatta.— Construction of twenty-target range—£6,257—authorized. Work in hand departmentally. •6 completed	Fremantle
Kalgoorlie.— Overhaul rooms, Hannan-street drill hall—£350—authorized. Work in hand	Kalgoorlie

Defence Works—continued.

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Midland Junction. —Construct rifle range—£4,040. Site gazetted	Fremantle
North Perth. —Erect drill hall—£1,820. Site gazetted. Not to be proceeded with at present	Perth
Pingelly. —Erection of drill hall—£1,675. Not to be proceeded with at present	Swan
South Perth. —Construction of rifle range. Requisition with Public Works Department for estimate	Fremantle
Subiaco. —Erection of drill hall—£2,500. Not to be proceeded with at present	Perth

TRADE AND CUSTOMS WORKS.

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Albany. —New telephone cable. Contract let Siemens Bros. and Dynamo Works Limited—£122. Material to hand	Swan
Broome Quarantine. — Water supply—£500. Plans being prepared Dining room and kitchen—£950. Plans being prepared Caretaker's quarters, Quarantine—£200. Plans being prepared Dormitory block—£1,150. Plans being prepared Two concrete platforms—£350. Plans being prepared Baths, laundry, &c.—£460. Plans being prepared Store—£750. Plans being prepared Nurses' quarters—£1,240. Plans being prepared Isolation hospital—kitchen wards—£1,000. Plans being prepared	Dampier
Carnarvon. —Quarters for sub-collector—£850. Working drawings completed. Awaiting Estimates	Dampier
Fremantle. — Laundry plant—£850. Requisition to Director of Quarantine Steam disinfector—£1,775. Requisition to Director of Quarantine Overhaul doors, windows, &c.—£112—authorized. Work completed departmentally	Fremantle
Woodman's Point. — Erect fencing and gates—£233 10s.—authorized. Action suspended for the present Water supply—£200. Work carried out by Naval Department Furniture—£66. Requisition authorized. Supply coming to hand	Fremantle

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POSTAL SITES.

Site.	Federal Electoral Division.
Launceston Pole Depot. —Offers received in response to public advertisement receiving the consideration of the Postmaster-General's Department	Bass

DEFENCE SITES.

Site.	Federal Electoral Division.
Bellerive Rifle Range. —Ministerial approval obtained for the acquisition of an area of about 219 acres. Instructions for survey issued 14th October, 1915. Negotiations now proceeding with the owners as to price required	Clarence
Deloraine Drill Hall. —An area of 1 rood 26½ perches at the corner of Rickman and Lyell streets acquired 28th October, 1915. Action now being taken to effect a settlement	Wilmot
Sandy Bay Rifle Range. —An additional area of about 33 acres acquired 31st July, 1915. Claim for compensation received and negotiations proceeding as to the amount of compensation which shall be paid	Denison

POSTAL WORKS.

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Campbell Town. —Repairs and renovations, £40. Specification being prepared	Franklin
Glenorchy. —Erect kitchen. Contract let, P. Stevens, £74 18s. 6d. Work completed	Franklin
Hobart Lineyard. —Fencing, £36. About to be carried out by day labour	Denison
Glenorchy. —Painting, £50 11s. Specification being prepared	Franklin
Oatlands. —Woodshed, &c. Contract let, H. M. Fish, £76 15s. Work completed	Franklin
Bothwell. —£65. Repairs. Local tenders being invited; returnable 22nd November	Franklin
Launceston. —Additional private boxes, £37. Waiting for letter-box fronts, which are being supplied by Postal Department	Bass
Burnie. —Alterations private letter boxes, £20. Waiting for letter-box fronts	Darwin
Devonport West. —Repairs to Postmaster's Quarters and Exchange room, £45. Completed	Wilmot
Strahan. —Repair and paint roof, £40. Repairs done; painting not yet finished. Work .8 completed	Darwin

DEFENCE WORKS.

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Hobart Barracks. —Parade ground, repairs—£60. Being carried out by day labour. Work .2 completed	Denison
Rifle Ranges (various). —£125. Shelter sheds work completed	
Waratah Rifle Range. —Stop Butt—£30. Work being arranged for	Darwin
Launceston Barracks. —Painting—£128. Being done by day labour. Work .6 completed	Bass
Fort Nelson. —Shelter—£200. Material ordered. Work to be done by day labour	Denison
Hobart Barracks. —Mobilization store and vehicle shed—£275. Old buildings have been pulled down. Work .2 completed	Denison
Ross Drill Hall. —Painting—£29 13s. 6d.—completed ..	Franklin
Devonport West Drill Hall. —Painting—£38 10s.—completed..	Wilmot
Scottsdale Drill Hall. —Addition—£115—completed	Bass

Defence Works—continued.

Work.	Federal Electoral Division.
Evandale Drill Hall. —Addition—£120. Contract let to A. G. Stokes—£104 7s. Work completed	Wilmot
Ulverstone Drill Hall. —Painting—£44. Completed; waiting inspection	Darwin
Ulverstone Rifle Range. —Reconstruction—£102 10s. Completed	Darwin
Artificers Work Shops, Barracks. —£500. Completed ..	Denison
New Norfolk Drill Hall. —£663 10s. Completed; waiting inspection	Franklin
Burnie Drill Hall. —£950. Main building .8 completed ..	Darwin
Launceston Drill Hall. —£952. Completed.. ..	Bass
Naval Drill Hall, Hobart. —Lockers—£45. Work .9 completed	Denison
Naval Drill Hall, Launceston. —£900. Plans ready; specification being prepared	Bass

TRADE AND CUSTOMS WORKS.*Nil.*

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE.

Digest prepared by Senator the Hon. G. F. Pearce, Minister for Defence, showing the activities of his Department.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

The Imperial Government, on the 7th August, 1914, accepted Australia's offer to despatch 20,000 troops to the front. This has been supplemented by the despatch of further units and reinforcements, and on 26th November, 1915, 116,640 troops have been organized, equipped, and despatched for active service abroad. These troops consist of 4 Light Horse Brigades, 6 Field Artillery Brigades, 6 Field Companies Engineers, 8 Infantry Brigades, and other arms, as shown hereunder:—

Infantry	77,238
Light Horse	14,977
Divisional Ammunition Column ..	1,388
Artillery	6,298
Engineers	2,583
Army Service Corps	4,488
Army Medical Corps	7,132
Remount Unit	1,651
Flying Corps	55
Veterinary Sections	338
Bridging Train	347
Army Pay Corps	92
Australian Postal Corps	53

Total sent to 26th November, 1915 .. 116,640

From portion of these troops the 1st and 2nd Australian Divisions, and the Australian and New Zealand Division have been organized, the remainder acting as independent units.

In addition to these units, 56,385 troops are now (26th November, 1915) in camps of training throughout Australia in preparation for despatch to the front.

ADDITIONAL UNITS OFFERED.

The Commonwealth Government on 24th November, 1915, decided to offer to the Imperial Government to raise an additional 50,000 men for active service, to be available in the next few months. These are new units, and are independent of the quota entailed for reinforcements. This further contribution will bring the total number of men supplied by Australia by June, 1916, to approximately 300,000 men.

The Imperial Government has accepted this offer in the following terms:—

“Please inform your Government how highly His Majesty's Government appreciates such a large addition to the forces already supplied by Australia and how warmly they welcome this fresh proof of the whole-hearted determination of the people of the Commonwealth to hasten the victorious issue of the war.”

The work of raising and equipping this new force is now in hand.

NUMBERS UNDER UNIVERSAL TRAINING.

The latest returns published show the strength of the Citizen Forces, Junior and Senior Cadets, at 30th September, 1915, in the several States as follows :—

Citizen Forces	..	..	..	60,517
Senior Cadets	..	..	..	88,667
Junior Cadets	..	..	..	47,050

EQUIPMENT OF AUSTRALIAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES.

The whole of the troops forming the Expeditionary Forces of the Commonwealth have been fully clothed, and fitted out with the very latest fighting equipment. Except in the case of two General Hospitals detailed for service with the British troops in Europe, and which are being equipped by the British Government, no unit up to the present time has embarked from Australia deficient in any single article of clothing or equipment which would in any way impair its fighting efficiency.

Every member of the Expeditionary Forces has been provided with two suits of warm woollen garments of excellent quality, also underclothing, and substantial comfortable boots, and, in addition, reserve stocks of these are being shipped to Egypt monthly in sufficient quantities to enable the troops to obtain new issues every three months. The greater part of these goods has been manufactured from Australian material by Australian work-people.

RESOURCES OF AUSTRALIA.

The fitting out for service abroad of units which hitherto had not formed part of the Australian war organization called for considerable initiative and resource, as much experimental work became necessary in providing new stores, regarding which only meagre details were available locally. All difficulties in this respect have, however, been successfully surmounted, and it has been made manifest that the resources of the Commonwealth in labour and machinery sufficed to produce almost every item of necessary military equipment.

In addition, many articles which had not previously been manufactured for military purposes in Australia have now been turned out locally. They include—

Infantry Equipment.	Spurs.
Heliographs.	Intrenching Implements.
Compasses, Prismatic.	Wire Cutters.
Signalling Lamps.	Shovels.
Bits.	Forks, Table.
Stirrups.	Spoons, Table.

The local manufacture of machine guns, wireless telegraphic instruments, compasses, periscopes, and other articles of important military value will shortly be undertaken. Probably the most successful achievement of the Department in this connexion has been the designing and production of a purely Australian Infantry equipment. The accoutrements provided for Infantry troops have hitherto been solely manufactured of a special web material by the Mills Equipment Company in England. Supplies from this source have hitherto not been obtainable for all Australian requirements, owing to heavy demands by the British Government. After successive experiments the Australian equipment, of which the 15,000 sets now on issue have proved so satisfactory under all tests that a further supply of 100,000 sets is now being proceeded with.

For Transport and Supply services in connexion with troops embarked to date, 2,500 vehicles and 10,000 sets of harness have been provided. Practically all these vehicles have been made in Australia. Nearly the whole of the harness required, and, in addition, 15,000 sets of saddlery, have been manufactured by the Commonwealth Harness and Saddlery Factory.

It is satisfactory to note that 25 per cent. of the rifles provided for our Expeditionary Forces have been manufactured at the Commonwealth Small Arms Factory. The weapons supplied from this source have been well reported on from Egypt.

The supply of small arm ammunition (also made in Australia) has always been found to be one of the greatest difficulties in time of war. The resources of the Commonwealth have been severely taxed in this connexion, but all requirements have been fully met. The large initial reserve provided for each rifle in the hands of Expeditionary troops is being maintained by the shipment of monthly supplies to Egypt to replace that expended in action. A liberal allowance of ammunition is also being provided for practice purposes.

The following show the larger items which have been provided in (A) Clothing and (B) Equipment for Australian Imperial Force Troops Abroad and at present in Camps in Australia :—

(A) Clothing.

Article.	Number.	Article.	Number.
Badges, hat, large	205,000	Braces	163,000
„ collar	542,000	Brushes, hair	163,000
„ shoulder, c.l.	711,000	„ shaving	163,000
„ AUSTRALIA	711,000	„ tooth	163,000
Boots	838,000	Caps, comforter	243,000
Brassards	25,000	Combs	163,000
Breeches	449,000	Discs, identity	243,000
Caps, S.D.	209,000	Drawers	485,000
Greatcoats	245,000	Dressings, field	250,000
Hats, felt	229,000	Forks	156,000
Hats, white	163,000	Holdalls	220,000
Jackets, cardigan	198,000	Housewives	250,000
„ dungaree	300,000	Knives	163,000
„ S.D.	383,000	Knives, clasp	163,000
Laces, boot (pairs)	1,129,000	Razors	163,000
Leggings (pairs)	82,000	Shirts, flannel	570,000
Numerals	1,000,000	Singlets	445,000
Puttees (pairs)	233,000	Soap, pieces	200,000
Straps, chin	437,000	Socks	790,000
Trousers, dungaree	300,000	Spoons	163,000
Bags, sea kit	163,000	Towels	325,000
„ kit, universal	163,000	Shirts, military, khaki	33,000
Belts, abdominal	460,000		

Note.—In the manufacture of the garments shown above approximately 25,000,000 buttons and 8,000,000 yards of material have been used.

The 8,000,000 yards of material are made up as follows :—

Cloth for Jackets and Caps, 56 inches wide ..	1,000,000
Cloth for Greatcoats, 56 inches wide ..	850,000
Cord for Breeches, 28 inches wide ..	1,150,000
Flannel for Shirts, Abdominal Belts, &c., 28 inches wide	3,500,000
Denim for Working Suits, 28 inches wide ...	1,500,000

COMMONWEALTH CLOTHING FACTORY.

Of the foregoing the following were manufactured at the Commonwealth Clothing Factory and the remainder by private enterprise :—

Article.	Number.	Article.	Number.
Breeches	134,000	Housewives .. .	38,000
Caps, S.D.	110,000	Holdalls	38,000
Greatcoats	41,000	Belts, abdominal	25,000
Caps, F.S.	36,000	Shirts, grey, flannel	2,000
Shirts, khaki cloth	33,000	Sheets	8,000
Jackets, S.D.	21,000	Bands, hat, khaki cloth	207,000
Trousers, dungaree	22,000	Chevrons	40,000
Jackets, dungaree	8,000		

(B) Equipment.

Article.	Number.	Article.	Number.
<i>Section 1A.</i>		<i>Section 1A—continued.</i>	
Bottles, water	150,000	Leather Infantry equipment— <i>continued.</i>	
Carriers, water bottle	60,000	Frogs	30,000
Frogs—		Haversacks	30,000
Bayonet	25,000	Packs	30,000
Wirecutter	15,000	Straps, supporting	60,000
Haversacks, G.S.	55,000	Slings, rifle	150,000
Straps, mess tin, Mounted Services	35,000		
Tins, mess	150,000	<i>Section 2A.</i>	
Whistles	10,000	Buckets, water, canvas	40,000
Bandolier equipment—		Kettles, camp	22,000
Bandoliers	30,000	Mallets, heel peg	8,000
Belts, waist	40,000	Pads, surcingle	27,000
Covers, mess tin	150,000	Pegs, picketing	50,000
Pockets, cartridge	85,000	Ropes—	
Straps, great coat	65,000	Head	30,000
Web Infantry equipment—		Heel	7,000
Belts, waist	70,000	Picketing	45,000
Braces, with buckle	140,000	Rugs, horse	40,000
Carriers, cartridge, 75 rounds—		Sheets, ground	200,000
Left	70,000	Tents—	
Right	70,000	Large	500
Carriers, intrenching tool—		Small	8,000
Head	70,000	Palliasses	120,000
Helve	70,000		
Carriers, water bottle	70,000	<i>Section 2B.</i>	
Frogs	70,000	Axes	4,000
Haversacks	70,000	Implements, intrenching	100,000
Packs	70,000	Stirrups	60,000
Straps, supporting	140,000	Spurs, pairs	30,000
Leather Infantry equipment—			
Belts, waist	30,000	<i>Section 5A.</i>	
Braces, with buckle	60,000	Bags, nose, C.P.	40,000
Carriers, cartridge, 75 rounds—		Rubbers, horse	40,000
Left	30,000	Brushes, horse	40,000
Right	30,000		
Carriers, intrenching tool—		<i>Section 13A.</i>	
Head	30,000	Blankets	700,000
Helve	30,000		
Carriers, water bottle	30,000		

THE GOVERNMENT HARNESS AND SADDLERY FACTORY has turned out an enormous amount of leather and canvas work, embracing 150 distinct articles, and has proved a most valuable adjunct to the resources of the Department in the execution of orders for supplies urgently required to meet unforeseen demands.

GOVERNMENT WOOLLEN MILLS.

This Mill has recently commenced operations, and the work is proceeding satisfactorily. It is anticipated that deliveries of material manufactured will be made during December.

OTHER EQUIPMENT PROVIDED.

Passing from the Australian Expeditionary Forces operating in Egypt and elsewhere, attention may now be invited to the Force in occupation in late German New Guinea. These troops, in addition to large numbers of native police and others employed by the Administrator, have had to be provided with ammunition, equipment, and special clothing to comply with climatic conditions and local custom.

Australia has not only been called upon to take her part in the present war, but she has also to make provision for the maintenance of her own fighting Forces. During the first months of the war, large numbers of Commonwealth troops were allotted for some considerable periods for mobilization service, and at the present time every endeavour is being made to keep all members of the Citizen Forces as fully clothed and equipped as possible.

EXAMINATION OF EQUIPMENT, CLOTHING, ETC.

Prior to the acceptance of equipment and clothing from contractors it is submitted to inspection by the Examination Branch to test its quality and suitability for active service conditions.

Every item of equipment, and component part thereof, is carefully inspected, and if not up to the required standard is rejected. Accepted articles are stamped with the Government Acceptance Stamp, for identification purposes.

The value of stores passed for acceptance during the last six months averages £376,000 per month.

FOOD SUPPLIES.

It would be quite impossible to furnish definite figures to illustrate the enormous quantities of food supplies which have been obtained by the Department to provision the troops during the currency of the war, but the following items may be set forth as examples showing the daily requirements of the troops at the present time and total consumption since the commencement of the war:—

	Daily Consumption.				Total Consumption.
Bread	65,000	lbs.	..	..	15,000,000 lbs.
Meat	78,000	„	..	..	17,000,000 „
Potatoes	56,000	„	..	..	15,000,000 „
Jam	11,000	„	..	..	3,000,000 „
Sugar	10,000	„	..	..	224,000 „

and other articles of provisions in like proportion.

Food supplies have also had to be provided for varying numbers of troops at Rabaul—at one period 1,500—and for about 2,000 natives employed by the Administrator of the islands in the Pacific recently under occupation by Germany. The climatic conditions, the uncertain means of transport, and the barrenness of resources in food supplies of these regions render regular ration and fuel deliveries a matter of difficulty.

FORAGE.

Forage of almost every kind and in very large quantities has had to be acquired for feeding horses in camps. Again it would not be possible to submit an estimate of the total quantities purchased, but, as a guide, it may be stated that approximately 40 tons oaten chaff, 20 tons oats, and 15 tons bran are required daily at the

present time for subsistence of horses now in hand to complete units now being or about to be formed. Furthermore, supplies of forage as shown hereunder have been shipped on transports for the sustenance of horses during the voyage:—

Chaff, oaten or wheaten	10,000 tons	Lucerne hay	..	500 tons
Chaff, lucerne	.. 1,600 „	Rock salt	..	50 „
Bran	.. 4,500 „	Linseed	..	20 „
Oats	.. 1,500 „	Oatmeal	..	10 „

HORSES.

Since the outbreak of the war 31,627 horses have been obtained by the Defence Department for military purposes, of which 28,988 were purchased at a cost of £560,968, and the balance, 2,639, were donated.

Up to date, 24,270 horses have been sent away with the A.I. Forces, and there are still about 6,600 remounts remaining within the Commonwealth to fulfil future requirements.

PAY AND ALLOWANCES ON AND FROM DATE OF EMBARKATION.

Rank.	Pay, including Deferred Pay.	Field Allowance.	Included in Column "Pay" but Deferred.
	Per diem. £ s. d.	Per diem. s. d.	Per diem. s. d.
Colonel or Brigadier	2 5 0	7 6	8 0
Lieutenant-Colonel	1 17 6	7 6	7 6
Major	1 10 0	5 0	5 0
Captain	1 2 6	3 6	3 6
Lieutenant, 2nd Lieutenant	0 17 6	3 6	3 0
Adjutant	According to rank	5 0	3 6
Quartermaster	According to rank	3 6	3 6
Brigade or Regimental Sergeant-Major, Quarter- master-Sergeant, Armament Artificer, Foreman Artificer (Mechanical Transport), Foreman Mechanic (Flying Unit), Warrant Officer ..	0 13 0	1 0	2 6
Staff-Sergeant-Major, Squadron, Battery, Troop or Company Sergeant-Major, Farrier Quarter- master-Sergeant, Colour-Sergeant, Staff-Ser- geant, Armourer Staff-Sergeant, Sergeant-Cook	0 12 0	..	2 0
Squadron, Battery, Troop, or Company Quarter- master-Sergeant, Orderly-room-Sergeant, Far- rier, Collarmaker, Wheeler, or Saddler-Ser- geant, or Sergeants of Mechanical Transport and Flying Units	0 11 6	..	2 0
Sergeant, Pioneer, Signalling, Transport, Ar- mourer, or Band-Sergeant, Sergeant-Trumpeter	0 10 6	..	2 0
Corporal, Armourer, Band, Shoeing-smith, Signal- ling or Pay and Orderly-room Corporal ..	0 10 0	..	1 6
2nd Corporal Bombardier	0 9 0	..	1 6
Mechanical Transport— Workshop Fitters, Turners, Blacksmiths, Wheelers, Electricians, and Drivers ..	0 8 0	..	1 0
Mechanics (Flying Unit) .. .. .	..	..	..
Cleaners and Waggonmen (Mechanical Trans- port)	0 6 0	..	1 0
Shoeing Smith and Driver	0 7 0	..	1 0
Acting-Bombardier, Lance-Corporal, Gunner, Sapper, Private, Bandsman, Collarmaker, Sad- ler, Wheeler, Trumpeter, Bugler, Drummer, Cook, Batman, Stretcher-bearer	0 6 0	..	1 0

* NOTE.—"Living at home" is intended to mean living at the home maintained in Australia by the husband or his wife and children irrespective of the locality where it may be necessary for the husband to reside.

PARTICULARS REGARDING RETURNED SOLDIERS' PAY, PENSIONS, AND CIVIL EMPLOYMENT AFTER DISCHARGE.

MEDICAL ATTENDANCE.

Members requiring medical treatment will be placed in military hospitals or homes, and as soon as possible thereafter will be brought before a Medical Board. According to the recommendation of the Board, they will then either be detained for treatment, or will be sent to convalescent homes, or will be allowed to return to their own homes.

Those permitted to return to their own homes, and requiring medical treatment, will, where possible, attend as out-patients at military hospitals; but where not possible they will be attended by a medical officer under arrangements made with the co-operation of the British Medical Association. The Staff Officer for Invalids will issue the necessary instructions in this matter.

No medical expenses other than those outlined above will be sanctioned. In the cases of members returned to their own homes the Commonwealth will not be liable for any medical expenses contracted other than in accordance with these instructions.

Members discharged from A.I.F. either to pension or as medically fit to earn their own livelihood have no further claim on the Commonwealth for medical attendance or medicines.

PENSIONS.

Members partially or totally incapacitated should take steps to apply for war pension immediately their cases have been determined by the Medical Board. Application must be made by the individual concerned, and must be submitted to the Deputy Commissioner of Pensions of the State in which the applicant resides. The Staff Officer for Invalids will lend any assistance that may be required in this regard.

Discharge from A.I.F. will take place, and military pay cease, on the day prior to that on which pension commences; but, in order to insure that payment, either of military pay or pension, will regularly continue, the issue of the former may be continued for a period of two months after a member's case has been adjudged by the Medical Board as one for pensions.

Malaria Cases.—A pension may be awarded in a "malaria" case, and payment suspended and restored again as the necessity arises. Accordingly a person suffering from malaria after discharge from the A.I.F. should immediately apply for a war pension. If a pension be granted, it will be necessary for the pensioner to present himself from time to time to the Medical Referee for War Pensions, who will report to the Deputy Commissioner of Pensions whether the applicant is fit to earn a livelihood or otherwise. Owing to the nature of the disease, the pension will be suspended or restored from time to time as the pensioner may become unable or able to earn a livelihood.

ADVICE REGARDING CIVIL EMPLOYMENT AND OTHER MATTERS.

With the object of providing employment for returned soldiers, an Employment Bureau under the auspices of the State War Council is being established in the capital city of each State.

Partially incapacitated soldiers and those who have been discharged as medically fit to earn their own livelihoods, who are desirous of obtaining employment, should apply to the Officer-in-Charge of the Employment Bureau, whose address may be obtained from the Staff Officer for Invalids, who will also render any assistance

required by invalided soldiers in the matter of pay, pensions, or medical attendance. All invalided soldiers should, therefore, keep in close touch with the Staff Officer for Invalids, particularly as regards notification of any change of address.

CASUALTIES.

Our casualties in connexion with the present war, including those who have died in Egypt and *en route* since the embarkation of the first contingent, now total some 33,286, made up as follows :—

		Officers.		Others.		Total.*
Deceased	.. ..	312	..	5,603	..	5,917
Wounded	.. ..	409	..	13,352	..	13,765
Missing	.. ..	18	..	1,437	..	1,455
Sick ..	.. ..	515	..	11,280	..	11,806
Prisoners	.. ..	6	..	49	..	55
Nature of casualty unknown		42	..	246	..	288
		<hr/> 1,302	..	<hr/> 31,967	..	<hr/> 33,286

* Includes chaplains, nurses, &c.

A large proportion of the sick and wounded cases are fortunately of such a nature that their services have been, and will be, available for the task in hand, so that the figures do not necessarily mean our force is permanently depleted to the extent shown.

CARE OF WOUNDED AND SICK.

Every possible attention is given to our sick and wounded, who have the most skilled and experienced physicians and surgeons of the Empire at their disposal as well as the invaluable ministrations of our nurses.

The magnificent response on the part of the Medical Practitioners, nurses, dentists, &c., of Australia has been most helpful to the Military authorities in providing adequate medical attention. The numbers actually engaged on these duties at present are as follows :—

Medical Officers	..	472	Matrons ..	..	..	12
Quartermasters	..	18	Sisters ..	..	..	159
Dentists	..	25	Staff Nurses	..	..	155
Masseurs	..	11	Other ranks	..	..	6,090
Masseuses	..	22				

In addition 110 doctors and 186 nurses were selected for duty with the Royal Army Medical Corps.

The number of beds actually attended to by the Australian Medical personnel is approximately 10,000.

HOSPITALS.

England.—In addition to Harefield Park, which is the principal Australian Hospital in England, the Australians are being treated in a number of English hospitals—arrangements having been made in some hospitals to allot portion of the establishment for Australians. Inspections are made by the High Commissioner and Australian Military Medical authorities regularly. At last report there were 5,547 Australian officers and men being treated in England.

Egypt.—The hospital accommodation has now been greatly expanded and improved, and from recent reports the Australian Medical Services in Egypt is fully capable of coping with the casualties. There are in Egypt and the other Mediterranean Australian Medical Units as follows :—

Three General Hospitals, 1 Venereal Diseases Hospital, 2 Clearing Hospitals, 1 Stationary Hospital, 8 Field Ambulances, 4 Light Horse Ambulances, and 2 Hospital Ships complete.

Australia.—Hospitals have been established and staffed by the Military authorities in the several States as follows :—

1st District	..	..	1
2nd District	..	..	2
3rd District	..	..	2
4th District	..	..	1
5th District	..	..	1
6th District	..	..	1

In addition there are Convalescent Homes and Rest Houses established as follows :—

LOCALITY AND NAME OF HOSPITAL.

Queensland.

6th A.G.H., Kangaroo Point, Brisbane.
 No. 1 Auxiliary Hospital, Rosemont.
 No. 2 Auxiliary Hospital, Southport.
 No. 3 Auxiliary Hospital, Southport.
 No. 4 Auxiliary Hospital, "Finchly," Toowoomba.

New South Wales.

Randwick—No. 4 General Hospital, Avoca-street.
 Auxiliary Hospital—
 No. 1, George's Heights.
 No. 2, Blackheath.
 No. 3, Brighton Hall.
 Auxiliary Red Cross—
 No. 1, Rose Hill.
 No. 2, Woodford
 No. 3, Moree.
 No. 4, Burradoo.
 No. 5, Cronulla.
 No. 6, Bowral.

Victoria.

No. 5 A.G.H., St. Kilda-road, Melbourne.
 Alfred Hospital.
 Sandringham House, Sandringham.
 Osborne House, North Geelong.
 No. 3 Auxiliary Convalescent Hospital, Mont Park.
 Clifton Springs Convalescent Hospital.

South Australia.

No. 7 A.G.H., Keswick.
No. 1 Auxiliary Hospital, North Adelaide.
No. 2 Auxiliary Hospital, Torrens Park.
Infectious Hospital, North Adelaide.
Clearing Hospital, Camp, Mitcham.
Venereal Hospital, Torrens Island.

Western Australia.

No. 8 A.G.H., South-terrace, Fremantle.
Branches of No. 8 A.G.H.—
Artillery Barracks, Fremantle.
Biddle's House, Fremantle.
Mount's Bay-road, Perth.
"The Rocks," Albany—Convalescent Hospital.

Tasmania.

General Hospital, Hobart (civil).
General Hospital, Hobart (civil).
No. 9 Base Hospital, "Roseneath," Austin's Ferry.
No. 9 Base Hospital, Cameron-street, Launceston.

VOLUNTARY AID.

The magnificent assistance rendered by the Voluntary Aid Organizations in Australia deserve special mention.

Voluntary aid is divided into two sections, viz. :—

The Red Cross Society, for action supplementary to departmental measures for the amelioration of the condition of wounded ; and
The Patriotic Societies for the collection and distribution of goods—supplementary to the authorized issues—for the benefit of the actual fighting forces.

ROYAL MILITARY COLLEGE.

The College was officially opened on the 27th June, 1911. Its object is to provide a supply of thoroughly well trained officers capable of undertaking the duties of administration and instruction of the Citizen Forces. The College has been established somewhat on the lines of West Point in the United States, and the College course is free, entrance to same being by competitive examination, which is open to all who fulfil certain prescribed conditions.

No charges of any description are made to parents of successful candidates for admission.

Nearly all the Instructional Officers and the first three classes of cadets have been allotted to the A.I.F. In all, 88 Staff Cadets have been granted commissions in the A.I.F., and many of those belonging to the first class have been promoted to positions in which their splendid training enables them to carry out highly responsible duties. Unfortunately, seventeen of their number have been killed, and many of the others wounded. The present strength of Cadets at the College is 83, and this will shortly be added to by the new class for which the examination has recently concluded.

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY.

Digest prepared by the Hon. J. A. Jensen, Minister for the Navy, showing the activities of his Department.

THE FLEET.

There are at present eleven ships of war commissioned by Australia serving the Empire at sea in connexion with the present war. These vessels carry about 3,500 officers and men.

TRAINING ESTABLISHMENTS.

Royal Australian Naval College.—This College, established at Jervis Bay, is training at present 87 Cadet Midshipmen to be the future officers of the Royal Australian Navy. Thirty Cadet Midshipmen are entered each year. The course is four years, the young officers then spending six months in a training cruiser before being drafted to the ships of the seagoing fleet. The full complement of Cadet Midshipmen at the College is 120, which will be reached when the 1916 term commences.

H.M.A.S. "Tingira," Boys' Training Ship.—This vessel is stationed at Rose Bay, Sydney. Boys are entered between the ages of 14½ and 16, to be trained as seamen or stokers for the Navy. At present there are about 200 boys under training. They spend, approximately, one year in the ship before being drafted to the seagoing fleet.

H.M.A. Naval Depot, Williamstown.—At this establishment there are schools where training is given to stokers, telegraphists, signal ratings, electricians, engine-room artificers, &c. Gunnery and torpedo ratings also qualify here. This Depot will be removed to Flinders Naval Base in due course.

TRANSPORTS.

The Department now has 73 transports on hire. These have transported 115,000 troops overseas without mishap. £1,200,000 have been earned in freight.

Cargo Ships.—Twelve cargo ships are being run by the Navy. These have earned £400,000 freight. Officers and crews have been organized from the Mercantile Marine. These ships have done good service in meeting the demand for freight. All are employed on overseas business.

SHIPBUILDING.

Cockatoo Island Naval Dockyard.—The Light Cruiser *Brisbane* and the Destroyers *Huon* and *Torrens* have been launched, and are being completed for commissioning. The Destroyer *Swan* will be launched on 11th December. Arrangements have been made to lay down another light cruiser, to be named *Adelaide*. There are about 2,500 men of various trades and callings employed on the Island, which contains the biggest dock in Australia, and also a medium-sized dock. A large share of the work of fitting out transports has fallen to Cockatoo Island.

H.M.A. Naval Establishments, Sydney.—At Garden Island there is a depôt for the Fleet, large Naval stores, and repairs and refits of H.M.A. ships are carried out. At Darling Harbor there is situated the Victualling Yard, which is the main store for provisions and clothing for the Navy. Spectacle Island, which adjoins Cockatoo Island, is the Naval Ordnance Depôt and Magazine, where the projectiles, cartridges, and ammunition for the Fleet are stored.

NAVAL BASES.

Flinders Naval Base.—Two hundred and twenty-three men are employed at this Base. The preparation of the site is practically completed, and Home Affairs Department are engaged in erecting the necessary barracks, schools, and residences.

Henderson Naval Base.—Three hundred and fifteen men are employed at this Base, commencement having been made with the first section of the plan. Land for the Base has been acquired. A quarry will be opened for the supply of stone for breakwaters.

Preliminary surveys for the collection of engineering data have been undertaken at Port Stephens and Albany.

NAVAL RESERVES.

The training of persons allotted to the Naval Reserve under the Universal Training Scheme has been carried out by District Naval Officers in the various States. On the outbreak of war the Examination Service was put into force by District Naval Officers at all defended ports in Australia.

WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY.

This service is now controlled by the Navy Department. There are about 23 stations in operation.

DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND CUSTOMS.

DIGEST prepared by the Hon. Frank G. Tudor, M.P., showing the activities of his Department.

Matters Dealt With.	Acts Administered.
Bounties. Customs and Excise. Fisheries (other than Pearl Shell or Trepang) in Australian Waters beyond Territorial limits. Inter-State Commission. Lighthouses, Lightships, Beacons, and Buoys. Navigation and Shipping. Quarantine. Trade and Commerce.	Australian Industries Preservation Act 1906-1910. Beer Excise Act 1901-1912. Bounties Act 1907-1912. Commerce (Trade Descriptions) Act 1905. Customs Act 1901-1914. Customs Tariff 1908-1911. Customs Tariff (South African Preference) 1906. Distillation Act 1901. Excise Act 1901. Excise Procedure Act 1907. Excise Tariff 1902. Excise Tariff 1908. Excise Tariff (Starch) 1908. Excise Tariff 1906 (Spirits). Freight Arrangements Act 1915. Inter-State Commission Act 1912. Iron Bounty Act 1914-1915. Lighthouses Act 1911-1915. Navigation Act 1912. Quarantine Act 1908-1912. Sea Carriage of Goods Act 1904. Seamen's Compensation Act 1911. Secret Commissions Act 1905. Spirits Act 1906-1915. Sugar Purchase Act 1915. Trading with the Enemy Acts 1914. Wood Pulp and Rock Phosphate Bounties Act 1912.

DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.

DIGEST prepared by the Hon. Hugh Mahon, M.P., showing the activities of his Department.

Matters Dealt With.	Acts Administered.
Consular Appointments. External Affairs. Pearl Shell and Trepang Fisheries in Australian Waters beyond Territorial Limits. High Commissioner. Immigration and Emigration. Influx of Criminals. Naturalization and Aliens. Passports. People of Races (other than the Aboriginal races in any State) for whom it is deemed necessary to make special laws. Relations with the Pacific Islands. Territories of the Commonwealth.	Contract Immigrants Act 1905. Emigration Act 1910. High Commissioner Act 1909. Immigration Act 1901-1912. Naturalization Act 1903. Norfolk Island Act 1913. Northern Territory Acceptance Act 1910. Northern Territory (Administration) Act 1910. Pacific Island Labourers Act 1901-1906. Papua Act 1905.

COMMONWEALTH PUBLIC DEPARTMENTS.

The following table indicates—

- (a) the names of the respective Commonwealth Departments, and the location of the Central Offices in Melbourne;
- (b) the matters dealt with by each Department;
- (c) the Acts administered by each Minister; and
- (d) the Minister of State in charge of each Department and the principal officers at Head-Quarters.

Name of Department.	Matters Dealt with by Department.	Acts Administered by the Minister of Department.	
THE PRIME MINISTER'S DEPARTMENT. Treasury-place, Melbourne.	Auditor-General and Staff. Communication with the Governor-General. Communication with the States. Historic Memorials. Officers of the Parliament. Public Service Commissioner and Staff. Royal Commissions. <i>The Commonwealth of Australia Gazette.</i> The Federal Executive Council.	Arbitration (Public Service) Act 1911. Committee of Public Accounts Act 1913. Commonwealth Public Service Act 1902-1915. Commonwealth Public Works Committee Act 1913-1914. Commonwealth Salaries Act 1907. Meat Export Trade Commission Act 1914. Ministers of State Act 1915. Parliamentary Allowances Act 1907. Petherick Collection Act 1911. Royal Commissions Act 1902-1912.	The Hon. W. M. Hughes, Prime Minister and Attorney-General. M. L. Shephard, Secretary, Prime Minister's Department. D. C. McLachlan, C.M.G., I.S.O., Public Service Commissioner. J. W. Israel, I.S.O., Auditor-General.

Name of Department.	Matters Dealt with by Department.	Acts Administered by the Minister of Department.	
THE DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY.			
Treasury-place, Melbourne.	<p>Appropriation and Supply. Banking. Currency, Coinage, and Legal Tender. Government Printer. Insurance. Invalid and Old-age Pensions. Maternity Allowances. Pensions and Retiring Allowances, Section 84 of Constitution. Public Loans. Public Moneys. State Debts. Taxation, other than Duties of Customs and of Excise. War Pensions. Workmen's Compensation.</p>	<p>Appropriation Acts. Audit Act 1901-1912. Australian Notes Act 1910-1914. Bank Notes Tax Act 1910. Coinage Act 1909. Commonwealth Bank Act 1911-1914. Commonwealth Inscribed Stock Act 1911-1915. Commonwealth Workmen's Compensation Act 1912. Constitution Alteration (State Debts) 1909. Estate Duty Act 1914. Estate Duty Assessment Act 1914. Income Tax Act 1915. Income Tax Assessment Act 1915. Invalid and Old-age Pensions Act 1908-1912. Land Tax Act 1910-1914. Land Tax Assessment Act 1910-1914. Life Assurance (Companies) Act 1905. Loan Acts. Marine Insurance Act 1909. Maternity Allowance Act 1912. Supply Acts. Surplus Revenue Act 1908. Surplus Revenue Act 1909. Surplus Revenue Act 1910. Treasury Bills Act 1914-1915. Trust Fund Advances Act 1910. Trust Fund Advances Act 1910 (No. 2). War Loan Acts 1914-1915. War Pensions Act 1914-1915.</p>	<p>The Hon. W. G. Higgs, Treasurer. G. T. Allen, C.M.G., Secretary to the Treasury and Commissioner of Pensions. J. R. Collins, Assistant Secretary and Assistant Commissioner of Pensions. G. A. McKay, Commissioner of Taxes.</p>

Commonwealth Public Departments—continued.

Name of Department.	Matters Dealt with by Department.	Acts Administered by the Minister of Department.	—
THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT.	Bankruptcy and Insolvency. Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes. Conciliation and Arbitration. Copyright. Crown Law Offices. Designs. Divorce and Matrimonial Causes. Foreign Corporations. Judiciary and Courts. Marriage. Parliamentary Drafting. Patents. Recognition throughout the Commonwealth of State Laws, Records, and Judicial Proceedings. Service and Execution throughout the Commonwealth of State Process and Judgments. Trade Marks. Trading and Financial Corporations formed within the limits of the Commonwealth.	Acts Interpretation Act 1901. Acts Interpretation Act 1904. Amendments Incorporation Act 1905. Bills of Exchange Act 1909-1912. Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Act 1904-1915. Copyright Act 1912. Crimes Act 1914-1915. Designs Act 1906-1912. Enemy Contracts Amendment Act 1915. Evidence Act 1905. Extradition Act 1903. High Court Procedure Act 1903-1915. Judiciary Act 1903-1915. Jury Exemption Act 1905. Parliamentary Papers Act 1908. Patents Act 1903-1909. Patents Trade Marks and Designs Acts 1910-1915. Rules Publication Act 1903. Service and Execution of Process Acts 1901-1912. State Law and Records Recognition Act 1901. Statutory Declarations Act 1901. Trade Marks Act 1905-1912.	The Hon. W. M. Hughes, Prime Minister and Attorney-General. R. R. Garrahan, C.M.G., Secretary, Attorney-General's Department. C. H. Castle, Crown Solicitor. George Townsend, Commissioner of Patents, and Registrar of Trade Marks and Designs. G. S. Brown, Registrar of Copyrights.
Treasury-place, Melbourne.			

Commonwealth Public Departments—continued.

Name of Department.	Matters Dealt with by Department.	Acts Administered by the Minister of Department.	—
THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE. St. Kilda-road, Melbourne.	Administration of Territory in Military Occupation. Control of Railways with respect to Transport for Defence Purposes. Factories and Workshops for Defence Purposes. Land Defence of the Commonwealth and Organization for War. Provision of Troops for Active Service Abroad. Royal Military College.	Defence Act 1903-1915. War Precautions Act 1914-1915.	Senator the Hon. G. F. Pearce, Minister for Defence. T. Trumble, Acting Secretary, Department of Defence.
THE DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND CUSTOMS. Spring-street, Melbourne.	Bounties. Customs and Excise. Fisheries (other than Pearl Shell or Trepang) in Australian waters beyond Territorial Limits. Inter-State Commission. Lighthouses, Lightships, Beacons, and Buoys. Quarantine. Trade and Commerce, including Navigation and Shipping.	Australian Industries Preservation Act 1906-1910. Beer Excise Act 1901-1912. Bounties Act 1907-1912. Commerce (Trade Descriptions) Act 1905. Customs Act 1901-1914. Customs Tariff 1908-1911. Customs Tariff (South African Preference) 1906. Distillation Act 1901. Excise Act 1901. Excise Procedure Act 1907. Excise Tariff 1902. Excise Tariff 1908. Excise Tariff (Starch) 1908. Excise Tariff 1906 (Spirits). Freight Arrangements Act 1915. Inter-State Commission Act 1912. Iron Bounty Act 1914.	The Hon. F. G. Tudor, Minister for Trade and Customs. S. Mills, Comptroller-General. Dr. J. H. L. Cumpston, Director of Quarantine. J. F. Ramsbotham, Director of Lighthouses. W. P. Wilkinson, Analyst. D. P. Davies, Director of Navigation.

Commonwealth Public Departments—continued.

Name of Department.	Matters Dealt with by Department.	Acts Administered by the Minister of Department.
THE DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND CUSTOMS — continued.	.. .. .	Lighthouses Act 1911–1915. Quarantine Act 1908–1912. Sea Carriage of Goods Act 1904. Seamen's Compensation Act 1911. Secret Commissions Act 1905. Shale Oil Bounties Act 1910. Spirits Act 1906–1915. Sugar Purchase Act 1915. Trading with the Enemy Acts 1914. Wood Pulp and Rock Phosphates Bounties Act 1912.
THE DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.	Consular Appointments. External Affairs. Pearl Shell and Trepang Fisheries in Australian Waters beyond Territorial Limits. High Commissioner. Immigration and Emigration. Influx of Criminals. Naturalization and Aliens. Passports. People of Races (other than the Aboriginal races in any State) for whom it is deemed necessary to make special laws. Relations with the Pacific Islands. Territories of the Commonwealth.	Contract Immigrants Act 1905. Emigration Act 1910. High Commissioner Act 1909. Immigration Act 1901–1912. Naturalization Act 1903. Norfolk Island Act 1913. Northern Territory Acceptance Act 1910. Northern Territory (Administration) Act 1910. Pacific Island Labourers Act 1901–1906. Papua Act 1905.
Spring-street, Melbourne.		The Hon. Hugh Mahon, Minister for External Affairs. Atlee Hunt, C.M.G., Secretary, Department of External Affairs.

Commonwealth Public Departments—*continued*.

Name of Department.	Matters Dealt with by Department.	Acts Administered by the Minister of Department.	—
THE DEPARTMENT OF HOME AFFAIRS.	Astronomy. Census and Statistics. Elections. Franchise. Lands. Meteorology. Public Works.* Railways. Representation of the People. Rivers. Seat of Government. Surveys.	Census and Statistics Act 1905. Commonwealth Electoral Act 1902–1911. Commonwealth Franchise Act 1902. Compulsory Voting Act 1915. Constitution Alteration (Senate Elections) 1906. Disputed Elections and Qualifications Act 1907. Electoral Divisions Act 1903. Electoral Validating Act 1906. Governor-General's Residences Act 1906. Jervis Bay Territory Acceptance Act 1915. Kalgoorlie to Port Augusta Railway Act 1907. Kalgoorlie to Port Augusta Railway Act 1911–1912. Lands Acquisition Act 1906–1912. Meteorology Act 1906. Pine Creek to Katherine River Railway Act 1913. Pine Creek to Katherine River Railway Survey Act 1912. Referendum (Constitution Alteration) Act 1906–1915. Representation Act 1905. Seat of Government Act 1908. Seat of Government Acceptance Act 1909. Seat of Government (Administration) Act 1910. Senate Elections Act 1903. War Census Acts 1915.	The Hon. King O'Malley, Minister for Home Affairs. Senator the Hon. E. J. Russell, Minister in charge of Electoral section. W. D. Bingle, Acting Secretary, Department of Home Affairs. Colonel D. Miller, C.M.G., V.D., I.S.O., Administrator, Federal Territory. W. B. Griffin, B.S., Federal Capital Director of Design and Construction. G. H. Knibbs, C.M.G., F.R.A.S., Commonwealth Statistician. Colonel P. T. Owen, Director-General of Works. J. T. H. Goodwin, Acting Director of Commonwealth Lands and Surveys. R. C. Oldham, Chief Electoral Officer. H. A. Hunt, F.R. Met. Soc., Commonwealth Meteorologist.
Gipps-street, Melbourne.	Mel-		

*With the exception of—

Telegraph and Telephone Line Construction carried out by Postmaster-General's Department.	
Construction of Rifle Club Ranges	.. " Defence Department.
Ship and Boat Building	.. " Naval Department.
Marine Civil Engineering works for the	
Royal Australian Navy	.. " Naval Department.
Construction Works in the Northern Territory	.. " External Affairs Department.

Commonwealth Public Departments—*continued.*

Name of Department.	Matters Dealt with by Department.	Acts Administered by the Minister of Department.	—
THE POSTMASTER-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT. Treasury-place, Melbourne.	Postal, Telegraphic, and other like Services.	Pacific Cable Act 1911. Post and Telegraph Act 1901-1913. Post and Telegraph Rates Act 1902-1913. Purchase Telephone Lines Acquisition Act 1911. Telegraph Act 1909.	The Hon. W. Webster, Postmaster-General. J. Oxenham, Secretary, Postmaster-General's Department. J. Hesketh, Chief Electrical Engineer. G. G. Haldane, Chief Accountant.
THE DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY. Lonsdale-street, Melbourne	Construction and Repair of Vessels for Commonwealth Departments. Naval Bases. Naval Defence. Naval Dockyards. Naval Works (<i>i.e.</i> , Marine Works). Wireless Telegraphy.	Naval Defence Act 1910-1912. Naval Discipline Act. Wireless Telegraphy Act 1905-1915.	The Hon. J. A. Jensen, Minister for the Navy. G. L. Macandie, Naval Secretary.

JUDICIARY.

HIGH COURT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

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JUSTICES—

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The Hon. Isaac Alfred Isaacs.

JUSTICES—*continued.*

The Hon. Henry Bournes Higgins.

The Hon. Frank Gavan Duffy.

The Hon. Charles Powers.

The Hon. George Edward Rich.

SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

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CHIEF JUDGE IN EQUITY—The Hon. Archibald Henry Simpson.

PUISNE JUDGES—

The Hon. Robert Darlow Pring.

PUISNE JUDGES—*continued.*

The Hon. Philip Whistler Street.

The Hon. Richard Meares Sly.

The Hon. Alexander Gordon.

The Hon. David Gilbert Ferguson.

The Hon. John Musgrave Harvey.

SUPREME COURT OF VICTORIA.

CHIEF JUSTICE—The Hon. Sir John Madden, G.C.M.G., LL.D.

PUISNE JUDGES—

The Hon. Sir Thomas a'Beckett, K.B.

PUISNE JUDGES—*continued.*

The Hon. Henry Edward Agincourt Hodges.

The Hon. Joseph Henry Hood.

The Hon. Leo Finn Bernard Cussen.

SUPREME COURT OF QUEENSLAND.

SOUTHERN JURISDICTION.

CHIEF JUSTICE—The Hon. Sir Pope Alexander Cooper, K.C.M.G.

SENIOR PUISNE JUDGE—The Hon. Patrick Real.

PUISNE JUDGE—The Hon. Charles Edward Chubb.

NORTHERN SUPREME COURT.

JUDGE—The Hon. Wm. Alfred Byam Shand.

CENTRAL SUPREME COURT.

JUDGE—The Hon. Lionel Oscar Lukin.

SUPREME COURT OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

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PUISNE JUDGES—The Hon. Sir John Hannah Gordon, K.B.
The Hon. George John Robert Murray, B.A., LL.M.
The Hon. Alexander Buchanan (temporary judge).

SUPREME COURT OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

CHIEF JUSTICE —The Hon. Robert Furse McMillan.

PUISNE JUDGES—The Hon. Robert Bruce Burnside.
The Hon. John Rooth.
The Hon. John Alfred Northmore.

SUPREME COURT OF TASMANIA.

CHIEF JUSTICE —The Hon. Herbert Nicholas.

PUISNE JUDGES—The Hon. Harold Crisp.
The Hon. Norman Kirkwood.

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

SIXTH PARLIAMENT.

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2	Barker, Stephen	Victoria.
3	Barnes, John	Victoria.
4	Blakey, Albert Edward Howarth	Victoria.
5	Buzacott, Richard	Western Australia.
6	de Largie, Hon. Hugh	Western Australia.
7	Ferricks, Myles Aloysius	Queensland.
8	Findley, Hon. Edward	Victoria.
9	Gardiner, Hon. Albert	New South Wales.
10	Givens, Hon. Thomas	Queensland.
11	Gould, Lt.-Colonel the Hon. Sir Albert John, K.B., V.D. ..	New South Wales.
12	Grant, John	New South Wales.
13	Guthrie, Robert Storrie	South Australia.
14	Guy, James	Tasmania.
15	Henderson, George	Western Australia.
16	Keating, Hon. John Henry	Tasmania.
17	Long, Hon. James Joseph	Tasmania.
18	Lynch, Patrick Joseph	Western Australia.
19	Maughan, William John Ryott	Queensland.
20	McDougall, Allan	New South Wales.
21	McKissock, Andrew Nelson	Victoria.
22	Millen, Hon. Edward Davis	New South Wales.
23	Mullan, John	Queensland.
24	Needham, Edward	Western Australia.
25	Newland, John	South Australia.
26	O'Keefe, Hon. David John	Tasmania.
27	O'Loughlin, Lt.-Colonel the Hon. James Vincent, V.D. ..	South Australia.
28	Pearce, Hon. George Foster	Western Australia.
29	Ready, Rudolph Keith	Tasmania.
30	Russell, Hon. Edward John	Victoria.
31	Senior, William	South Australia.
32	Shannon, John Wallace	South Australia.
33	Stewart, Hon. James Charles	Queensland.
34	Story, William Harrison	South Australia.
35	Turley, Hon. Henry	Queensland.
36	Watson, David	New South Wales.

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4	Atkinson, Llewelyn	Tasmania ..	Wilmot
5	Bamford, Hon. Frederick William ..	Queensland ..	Herbert
6	Best, Hon. Sir Robert Wallace, K.C.M.G. ..	Victoria ..	Kooyong
7	Boyd, Hon. James Arthur	Victoria ..	Henty
8	Brennan, Frank	Victoria ..	Batman
9	Burchell, Reginald John	Western Australia	Fremantle
10	Burns, George Mason	New South Wales	Illawarra
11	Carr, Ernest Shoobridge	New South Wales	Macquarie
12	Catts, James Howard	New South Wales	Cook
13	Chanter, Hon. James Moore	New South Wales	Riverina
14	Chapman, Hon. Austin	New South Wales	Eden-Monaro
15	Charlton, Matthew	New South Wales	Hunter
16	Cook, Right Hon. Joseph, P.C.	New South Wales	Parramatta
17	Dankel, George	South Australia ..	Boothby
18	Fenton, James Edward	Victoria ..	Maribyrnong
19	Finlayson, William Fyfe	Queensland ..	Brisbane
20	Fleming, William Montgomerie	New South Wales	Robertson
21	Forrest, Right Hon. Sir John, P.C., G.C.M.G. ..	Western Australia	Swan
22	Foster, Hon. Richard Witty	South Australia ..	Wakefield
23	Fowler, Hon. James Mackinnon	Western Australia	Perth
24	Glynn, Hon. Patrick McMahon, K.C.	South Australia ..	Angas
25	Greene, Walter Massy	New South Wales	Richmond
26	Gregory, Hon. Henry	Western Australia	Dampier
27	Groom, Hon. Littleton Ernest	Queensland ..	Darling Downs
28	Hampson, A. J.	Victoria ..	Bendigo
29	Hannan, Joseph Francis	Victoria ..	Fawkner
30	Higgs, Hon. William Guy	Queensland ..	Capricornia
31	Hughes, Hon. William Morris	New South Wales	West Sydney
32	Irvine, Hon. Sir William Hill, K.C.M.G., K.C. ..	Victoria ..	Flinders
33	Jensen, Hon. Jens August	Tasmania ..	Bass
34	Johnson, Hon. William Elliot	New South Wales	Lang
35	Kelly, Hon. William Henry	New South Wales	Wentworth
36	Livingston, John	South Australia ..	Barker
37	Lynch, John	New South Wales	Werriwa
38	Mahon, Hon. Hugh	Western Australia	Kalgoorlie
39	Mahony, William George	New South Wales	Dalley
40	Maloney, William	Victoria ..	Melbourne
41	Manifold, Hon. James Chester	Victoria ..	Corangamite
42	Mathews, James	Victoria ..	Melbourne Ports
43	McDonald, Hon. Charles	Queensland ..	Kennedy
44	McGrath, David Charles	Victoria ..	Ballarat
45	McWilliams, William James	Tasmania ..	Franklin
46	Moloney, Parker John	Victoria ..	Indi
47	O'Malley, Hon. King	Tasmania ..	Darwin
48	Orchard, Richard Beaumont	New South Wales	Nepean
49	Ozanne, Alfred Thomas	Victoria ..	Corio
50	Page, Hon. James	Queensland ..	Maranoa
51	Palmer, Albert Clayton	Victoria ..	Echuca
52	Patten, Robert	New South Wales	Hume
53	Pigott, Henry Robert Maguire	New South Wales	Calare
54	Poynton, Hon. Alexander	South Australia ..	Grey
55	Riley, Edward	New South Wales	South Sydney
56	Rodgers, Arthur Stanislaus	Victoria ..	Wannon
57	Ryrie, Colonel Granville de Laune	New South Wales	North Sydney
58	Salmon, Hon. Charles Carty	Victoria ..	Grampians
59	Sampson, Sydney	Victoria ..	Wimmera
60	Sharpe, James Benjamin	Queensland ..	Oxley

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61	Sinclair, Hugh	Queensland ..	Moreton
62	Smith, Hon. Bruce, K.C.	New South Wales	Parkes
63	Smith, William Henry Laird	Tasmania ..	Denison
64	Spence, Hon. William Guthrie	New South Wales	Darling
65	Stumm, Jacob	Queensland ..	Lilley
66	Thomas, Hon. Josiah	New South Wales	Barrier
67	Thomson, John	New South Wales	Cowper
68	Tudor, Hon. Frank Gwynne	Victoria ..	Yarra
69	Watkins, Hon. David	New South Wales	Newcastle
70	Watt, Hon. Wm. Alexander	Victoria ..	Balaclava
71	Webster, William	New South Wales	Gwydir
72	West, John Edward	New South Wales	East Sydney
73	Wise, George Henry	Victoria ..	Gippsland
74	Yates, George Edwin	South Australia ..	Adelaide

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Minister for External Affairs	THE HONORABLE HUGH MAHON.
Minister for the Navy	THE HONORABLE JENS AUGUST JENSEN.
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Postmaster-General	THE HONORABLE WILLIAM WEBSTER.
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2. Beeston, The Honorable Joseph Lievesley, L.R.C.S., Irel.
3. Black, The Honorable Reginald James.
4. Brown, The Honorable Alexander
5. Browne, The Honorable Joseph Alexander, LL.B.
6. Bryant, The Honorable Francis Henry.
7. Burns, The Honorable Colonel James.
8. Buzacott, The Honorable Nicholas James.
9. Carruthers, The Honorable Sir Joseph Hector, K.C.M.G., LL.D.
10. Creed, The Honorable John Mildred, M.R.C.S.E.
11. Dangar, The Honorable Henry Carey.
12. Dick, The Honorable William Thomas.
13. Doyle, The Honorable Henry Martin, L.R.C.P., Lond., L.S.A., Lond., M.R.C.S.E.
14. Earp, The Honorable George Frederick.
15. Farleigh, The Honorable John Gibson.
16. Farrar, The Honorable Ernest Henry.
17. Fitzgerald, The Honorable John Daniel.
18. FitzGerald, The Honorable Robert George Dundas.
19. Flowers, The Honorable Frederick.
20. Fosbery, The Honorable Edmund Walcott, C.M.G.
21. Gannon, The Honorable James Conley, K.C.
22. Garland, The Honorable John, K.C.
23. Gormly, The Honorable James.
24. Hephher, The Honorable John.
25. Heydon, The Honorable Louis Francis.
26. Hill, The Honorable William Charles.
27. Holborow, Colonel The Honorable William Hillier, C.M.G.
28. Holden, The Honorable Thomas Douglas Percy.
29. Hughes, The Honorable Thomas.
30. Hurley, The Honorable William Fergus.
31. Kater, The Honorable Henry Edward.
32. Kavanagh, The Honorable Edward John.
33. Kethel, The Honorable Alexander.
34. Mackay, Colonel The Honorable James Alexander Kenneth, C.B.
35. Mackellar, The Honorable Sir Charles Kinnaid, Kt., M.B., C.M.
36. McCaughey, The Honorable Sir Samuel, Kt.
37. Meagher, The Honorable John.
38. Meeks, The Honorable Alfred William.
39. Moses, The Honorable Henry.
40. Nash, The Honorable John Brady, M.D.
41. O'Connor, The Honorable Broughton Barnabas, LL.B.
42. Pilcher, The Honorable Charles Edward, K.C.
43. Roberts, The Honorable Charles James, C.M.G.
44. Robson, The Honorable William.
45. Sinclair, The Honorable Andrew.
46. Smith, The Honorable Fergus Jago.

New South Wales—Legislative Council—*continued*.

47. Smith, The Honorable James Joynton.
48. Taylor, The Honorable Sir Allan Arthur, Kt.
49. Travers, The Honorable John.
50. Trickett, The Honorable William Joseph.
51. Wetherspoon, The Honorable John.
52. White, The Honorable James Cobb.
53. Wilson, The Honorable James.
54. Winchcombe, The Honorable Frederick Earle.

President :—THE HONORABLE FREDERICK FLOWERS.

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2. Arkins, James Guy Dalley, Esquire	Castlereagh
3. Arthur, Richard, Esquire, M.D.	Middle Harbour
4. Ashford, William George, Esquire	Liverpool Plains
5. Bagnall, William Roy Clifford, Esquire	St. George
6. Ball, Richard Thomas, Esquire	Corowa
7. Black, The Hon. George	Namoi
8. Boston, Walter James, Esquire	Wagga Wagga
9. Briner, George Stuart, Esquire	Raleigh
10. Brown, The Hon. Thomas	Lachlan
11. Brown, William, Esquire	Durham
12. Burgess, George Arthur, Esquire	Burrangony
13. Cann, George, Esquire	Canterbury
14. Cann, The Hon. John Henry	Sturt
15. Carmichael, The Hon. Ambrose Campbell	Leichhardt
16. Chaffey, Frank Augustus, Esquire	Tamworth
17. Cochran, John Patrick, Esquire	Darling Harbour
18. Cocks, Arthur Alfred Clement, Esquire	St. Leonards
19. Cohen, John Jacob, Esquire	Petersham
20. Colquhoun, Percy Brereton, Esquire	Mosman
21. Crane, John Thomas, Esquire	Gwydir
22. Crawford, Thomas Simpson, Esquire	Marrickville
23. Cusack, John Joseph, Esquire	Albury
24. Dooley, James, Esquire	Hartley
25. Dunn, William Fraser, Esquire	Mudgee
26. Durack, Ernest, Esquire	Bathurst
27. Edden, The Hon. Alfred	Kahibah
28. Estell, John, Esquire	Wallsend
29. Fallick, James, Esquire	Singleton
30. Fern, Charles Stuart, Esquire	Cobar
31. Fingleton, James, Esquire	Waverley
32. Fitzpatrick, John Charles Lucas, Esquire	Orange
33. Fuller, George Warburton, The Hon.	Wollondilly
34. Gardiner, Arthur Roland, Esquire	Newcastle
35. Grahame, The Hon. William Calman	Wickham
36. Griffith, The Hon. Arthur	Annandale
37. Grimm, Arthur Hetherington, Esquire	Ashburnham
38. Hall, Brinsley, Esquire	Hawkesbury
39. Hall, The Hon. David Robert	Enmore
40. Haynes, John, Esquire	Willoughby
41. Henley, Thomas, Esquire	Burwood
42. Hickey, Simon, Esquire	Alexandria
43. Hollis, Robert, Esquire	Newtown
44. Holman, The Hon. William Arthur	Cootamundra
45. Hoskins, Tom James Esquire	Dulwich Hill
46. Hoyle, Henry Clement, Esquire	Surry Hills
47. Hunt, John Charles, Esquire	Camden

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48. James, Augustus George Frederic, Esquire	Goulburn
49. Kearsley, William, Esquire	Cessnock
50. Keegan, Thomas, Esquire	Glebe
51. Lane, Herbert William, Esquire	Armidale
52. Lang, John Thomas, Esquire	Granville
53. Latimer, William Fleming, Esquire	Woollahra
54. Lee, The Hon. Charles Alfred	Tenterfield
55. Levy, Daniel, Esquire	Darlinghurst
56. McDonald, George Roy William, Esquire	Bingara
57. McGarry, Patrick, Esquire	Murrumbidgee
58. McGirr, John Joseph Gregory, Esquire	Yass
59. McGowen, The Hon. James Sinclair Taylor	Redfern
60. Meagher, The Hon. Richard Denis	Phillip
61. Mercer, James Ballantine, Esquire	Rozelle
62. Millard, William, Esquire	Bega
63. Miller, Gustave Thomas Carlisle, Esquire	Monaro
64. Minahan, Patrick Joseph, Esquire	Belmore
65. Morrish, James John, Esquire	King
66. Morton, The Hon. Henry Douglas	Hastings and Macleay
67. Morton, Mark Fairles, Esquire	Allowrie
68. Moxham, Thomas Robert, Esquire	Parramatta
69. Nesbitt, George, Esquire	Lismore
70. Nicholson, Lieut.-Colonel Charles Edward	Mailland
71. Nicholson, John Barnes, Esquire	Wollongong
72. Onslow, Colonel James William Macarthur	Bondi
73. Osborne, John Percy, Esquire	Paddington
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75. Perry, The Hon. John	Byron
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81. Storey, John, Esquire	Balmain
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83. Thomas, Follet Johns, Esquire	Gough
84. Thompson, William, Esquire	Ryde
85. Thrower, Thomas Henry, Esquire	Macquarie
86. Toombs, Samuel, Esquire	Hurstville
87. Waddell, The Hon. Thomas	Lyndhurst
88. Wade, The Hon. Charles Gregory, K.C.	Gordon
89. Wright, Jabez, Esquire	Willyama
90. Zuill, William Arthur, Esquire	Clarence

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4. Austin, The Honorable Austin Albert	<i>South-Western</i>
5. Baillieu, The Honorable William Lawrence	<i>Northern</i>
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7. Beckett, The Honorable	<i>Melbourne North</i>
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9. Brawn, The Honorable Frederick William	<i>Wellington</i>
10. Brown, The Honorable James Drysdale	<i>Nelson</i>
11. Clarke, The Honorable Francis Grenville	<i>Northern</i>
12. Clarke, The Honorable William Lionel Russell	<i>Southern</i>
13. Crooke, The Honorable Edward Jolley	<i>Gippsland</i>
14. Davies, The Honorable John Mark	<i>Melbourne</i>
15. Fielding, The Honorable William Harris	<i>Melbourne West</i>
16. Hagelthorn, The Honorable Frederick	<i>North-Western</i>
17. Hicks, The Honorable Alfred	<i>Bendigo</i>
18. Jones, The Honorable John Percy	<i>Melbourne East</i>
19. Little, The Honorable Willis	<i>North-Eastern</i>
20. Manifold, The Honorable Walter Synnot	<i>Western</i>
21. McBryde, The Honorable Duncan Elphinstone	<i>South-Eastern</i>
22. McDonald, The Honorable John Young	<i>Wellington</i>
23. McLellan, The Honorable Adam	<i>Melbourne East</i>
24. McWhae, The Honorable John	<i>Melbourne</i>
25. Melville, The Honorable Donald	<i>Melbourne North</i>
26. Merritt, The Honorable James Kerr	<i>East Yarra</i>
27. Payne, The Honorable Thomas Henry	<i>Melbourne South</i>
28. Pearson, The Honorable William	<i>Gippsland</i>
29. Rees, The Honorable Richard Bloomfield	<i>North-Western</i>
30. Richardson, The Honorable Horace Frank	<i>South-Western</i>
31. Robinson, The Honorable Arthur	<i>Melbourne South</i>
32. Sachse, The Honorable Arthur Otto	<i>North-Eastern</i>
33. Sternberg, The Honorable Joseph	<i>Bendigo</i>
34. White, The Honorable Edward James	<i>Western</i>

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*The Chairman of Committees :—*THE HONORABLE ARTHUR OTTO SACHSE.

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3. Baird, Matthew, Esquire	<i>Ballaarat West</i>
4. Barnes, Samuel, Esquire	<i>Walhalla</i>
5. Bayles, Norman, Esquire	<i>Toorak</i>
6. Billson, The Honorable Alfred Arthur	<i>Ovens</i>
7. Billson, The Honorable John William	<i>Fitzroy</i>
8. Blackburn, Maurice McCrae, Esquire	<i>Essendon</i>
9. Bowser, The Honorable John	<i>Wangaratta</i>
10. Cameron, Allan Francis, Esquire	<i>Dalhousie</i>
11. Cameron, The Honorable James	<i>Gippsland East</i>
12. Campbell, Hugh John Munro, Esquire	<i>Glenelg</i>
13. Carlisle, John Joseph, Esquire	<i>Benalla</i>
14. Chatham, John, Esquire	<i>Grenville</i>
15. Clough, L. J., Esquire	<i>Bendigo East</i>
16. Cotter, Edmund John, Esquire	<i>Richmond</i>
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18. Elmslie, The Honorable George Alexander	<i>Albert Park</i>
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20. Farthing, Alfred Alexander, Esquire	<i>East Melbourne</i>
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22. Gray, Achilles, Esquire	<i>Korong</i>
23. Gray, The Honorable John	<i>Swan Hill</i>
24. Hannah, The Honorable Martin	<i>Collingwood</i>
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27. Jewell, James Roberts, Esquire	<i>Brunswick</i>
28. Johnstone, John Glass, Esquire	<i>Polwarth</i>
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30. Lawson, The Honorable Harry Sutherland Wightman	<i>Castlemaine and Maldon</i>
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32. Lemmon, The Honorable John	<i>Williamstown</i>
33. Livingston, The Honorable Thomas	<i>Gippsland South</i>
34. Mackey, The Honorable John Emanuel	<i>Gippsland West</i>
35. Mackinnon, The Honorable Donald	<i>Prahran</i>
36. Madden, The Honorable Sir Frank	<i>Boroondara</i>
37. McCutcheon, Robert George, Esquire	<i>St. Kilda</i>
38. McGregor, The Honorable Robert	<i>Ballaarat East</i>
39. McKenzie, The Honorable Hugh	<i>Rodney</i>
40. McKenzie, Malcolm Kenneth, Esquire	<i>Upper Goulburn</i>
41. McLachlan, James Weir, Esquire	<i>Gippsland North</i>
42. McLeod, The Honorable Donald	<i>Daylesford</i>
43. McPherson, William Murray, Esquire	<i>Hawthorn</i>
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45. Menzies, James, Esquire	<i>Lowan</i>
46. Mitchell, John Davidson, Esquire	<i>Goulburn Valley</i>
47. Murray, The Honorable John	<i>Warrnambool</i>
48. Oman, David Swan, Esquire	<i>Hampden</i>
49. Outtrim, The Honorable Alfred Richard	<i>Maryborough</i>
50. Peacock, The Honorable Sir Alexander James, K.C.M.G.	<i>Allandale</i>
51. Pennington, John Warburton, Esquire	<i>Kara Kara</i>
52. Plain, The Honorable William	<i>Geelong</i>
53. Prendergast, The Honorable George Michael	<i>North Melbourne</i>
54. Robertson, The Honorable Andrew Robert	<i>Bulla</i>
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56. Rouget, James, Esquire	<i>Evelyn</i>
57. Sinclair, Owen, Esquire	<i>Port Melbourne</i>
58. Smith, The Honorable David	<i>Bendigo West</i>
59. Smith, William Kennedy, Esquire	<i>Dundas</i>
60. Snowball, Oswald Robinson, Esquire	<i>Brighton</i>

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61. Solly, Robert Henry, Esquire	Carlton
62. Toutcher, Richard Frederick, Esquire	Stawell and Ararat
63. Tunnecliffe, Thomas, Esquire	Eaglehawk
64. Warde, Edward Coughlan, Esquire,	Flemington
65. Webber, Gordon Charles, Esquire	Abbotsford

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7. Curtis, The Honorable George Silas.
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9. Dunn, The Honorable Andrew
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14. Groom, The Honorable Henry Littleton.
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21. Leahy, The Honorable Patrick James.
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24. McGhie, The Honorable Charles Stewart.
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30. O'Shea, The Honorable Timothy Joseph.
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34. Stephens, The Honorable William.
35. Stevens, The Honorable Ernest James.
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3. Armfield, Thomas Gummersal, Esquire	Musgrave
4. Armstrong, William Drayton, Esquire	Lockyer
5. Barber, George Phillip, Esquire	Bundaberg
6. Barnes, George Powell, Esquire	Warwick
7. Bayley, Percy Molineux, Esquire	Pittsworth
8. Bebbington, William, Esquire	Drayton
9. Bell, Ernest Thomas, Esquire	Fassifern
10. Bertram, William, Esquire	Maree
11. Booker, Charles Joseph, Esquire	Wide Bay
12. Bowman, The Honorable David	Fortitude Valley
13. Bridges, Thomas, Esquire	Nundah
14. Carter, George, Esquire	Port Curtis
15. Collins, Charles, Esquire	Bowen
16. Cooper, Frank Arthur, Esquire	Bremer
17. Corser, Bernard Henry, Esquire	Burnett
18. Coyne, John Harry, Esquire	Warrego
19. Dunstan, Thomas, Esquire	Gympie
20. Fihelly, The Honorable John Arthur	Paddington
21. Foley, Thomas, Esquire	Mundingburra
22. Forsyth, James, Esquire	Murrumba
23. Free, Edgar Noah, Esquire	South Brisbane
24. Gilday, John Theophilus, Esquire	Ithaca
25. Gillies, William Neal, Esquire	Eacham
26. Gledson, David Alexander, Esquire	Ipswich
27. Grayson, Francis, Esquire	Cunningham
28. Gunn, Donald, Esquire	Carnarvon
29. Hardacre, The Honorable Herbert Freemont	Leichhardt
30. Hartley, Harold Leslie, Esquire	Fitzroy
31. Hartley, William, Esquire	Kurilpa
32. Hodge, Robert Samuel, Esquire	Nanango
33. Hunter, The Honorable John McEwan	Maranoa
34. Huxham, The Honorable John	Buranda
35. Jones, Alfred James, Esquire	Maryborough
36. Jones, Thomas Llewellyn, Esquire	Oxley
37. Kirwan, Michael Joseph, Esquire	Brisbane
38. Land, Edward Martin, Esquire	Balonne
39. Larcombe, James, Esquire	Keppel
40. Lennon, The Honorable William	Herbert
41. Lloyd, William Field, Esquire	Enoggera
42. Macartney, Edward Henry, Esquire	Toowong
43. May, John, Esquire	Flinders
44. McCormack, The Honorable William	Cairns
45. McLachlan, Peter Alfred, Esquire	Merthyr
46. McMinn, Hugh Cameron, Esquire	Bulimba
47. McPhail, Herbert George, Esquire	Windsor
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49. Morgan, Godfrey, Esquire	Murilla
50. Murphy, William Sidney, Esquire	Burke
51. O'Sullivan, James, Esquire	Kennedy
52. Payne, John, Esquire	Mitchell
53. Peterson, James Christian, Esquire	Normanby
54. Petrie, Andrew Lang, Esquire	Toombul
55. Pollock, George, Esquire	Gregory
56. Rankin, Lieut.-Colonel Colin Dunlop Wilson	Burrum
57. Roberts, Thomas Robert, Esquire	East Toowoomba
58. Ryan, Daniel, Esquire	Townsville
59. Ryan, Henry Joseph, Esquire	Cook

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60.	Ryan, The Honorable Thomas Joseph	Barcoo
61.	Smith, William Forgan, Esquire	Mackay
62.	Somerset, Henry Plantagenet, Esquire	..	..	Stanley
63.	Stevens, Henry Moreton, Esquire	..	..	Rosewood
64.	Stodart, James, Esquire	..	..	Logan
65.	Stopford, James, Esquire	..	..	Mount Morgan
66.	Swayne, Edward Bowdick, Esquire	..	..	Mirani
67.	Theodore, The Honorable Edward Granville	..	..	Chillagoe
68.	Tolmie, James, Esquire	..	..	Toowoomba
69.	Vowles, William John, Esquire	..	..	Dalby
70.	Walker, Harry Frederick, Esquire	..	..	Cooroora
71.	Wellington, William John, Esquire	Charters Towers
72.	Winstanley, Vernon, Esquire	Queenton

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4. Cooke, The Honorable John Herbert	Central No. 2
5. Cowan, The Honorable John	Southern
6. Gordon, The Honorable David John	Midland
7. Hannaford, The Honorable Walter	Midland
8. Harvey, The Honorable William Humphrey	Central No. 2.
9. Howe, The Honorable James Henderson	Northern
10. Jelley, The Honorable James	Central No. 1.
11. Lewis, The Honorable John	Northern
12. Lucas, The Honorable Edward	Midland
13. Morrow, The Honorable William	Northern
14. Pascoe, The Honorable Thomas	Midland
15. Stirling, The Honorable Sir John Lancelot	Southern
16. Styles, The Honorable Alfred William	Central No. 2.
17. Vaughan, The Honorable John Howard	Central No. 1.
18. Von Doussa, The Honorable Alfred	Southern
19. Wallis, The Honorable Frederick Samuel	Central No. 2.
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15.	Goode, The Honorable Clarence	Victoria
16.	Green, T., Esquire	West Torrens
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22.	James, D., Esquire	Wooroora
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26.	Miller, W., Esquire	Burra Burra
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31.	Parish, M. W., Esquire	Murray
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35.	Price, J. L., Esquire	Port Adelaide
36.	Reidy, P., Esquire	Victoria
37.	Ritchie, G., Esquire	Alexandra
38.	Robinson, A. W., Esquire	Wooroora
39.	Ryan, T., Esquire	Sturt
40.	Smeaton, T. H., Esquire	Sturt
41.	Southwood, J. A., Esquire	East Torrens
42.	Tossell, H. G., Esquire	Yorke Peninsula
43.	Travers, J., Esquire	Flinders
44.	Vaughan, The Honorable Crawford	Sturt
45.	Verran, The Honorable John	Walleroo
46.	Young, H. D., Esquire	Murray

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27. Mitchell, The Honorable James	Northam
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